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NEW BANKING RULES ANNOUNCED IN CHINA

To Tighten Control Over Credit Loans, Securities APPROVAL PENDING

Nanking, October 17.

New regulations have been devised to tighten control over business practices of Chinese banking institutions as a supplementary measure to the emergency economic regulations promulgated in August, it was learned today.

Under the new rules, which are pending the approval of the Executive Yuan, no banking institution will be allowed to issue credit loans to individuals in any form, while security loans in each case will be limited to GY2,000.

All banking institutions will be required to demand the real names of their clients when deposits are made, and in the case of those using cheque books, further details concerning address and occupation will be required along with a definite guarantee.

No banking institutions, except in cases where they are so entrusted by the Government, will be allowed to deal in the purchase or sale of commodities or establish separate agencies to engage in extra-curricular activities. The scope of investment for all banking institutions will be limited to communications, productive and public utility enterprises and any such investment must have the prior approval of the Ministry of Finance.

To End Contracts

Banks which have made investments in projects other than those specified must also report to the Ministry of Finance within the same period and will be required to terminate or transfer their contracts before the end of the year.

No banking institutions will be allowed to accept ornaments of gold and silver as security.

IMPORTS DRAG JAPAN DOWN

Tokyo, October 16. Japan will probably have a US\$500,000,000 unfavorable balance of trade this year according to SCAP review of Japanese economic statistics. Increased imports aimed at rehabilitating Nippon's economy and unsatisfactory results in the export field are accountable for the one half billion US dollar figure in the red.

Industrial production in August was 55 per cent of the 1936-37 level recommended by the Far Eastern Commission. The August figure was the same as that for July.

Coal production in August was "at the lowest level since November, 1947," SCAP's review noted. It added, however, "the 30,000,000 ton goal for the year ending March 31 is still within reach." Associated Press.

The Weather

At 0600 hours GMT (8 p.m. HKST) the typhoon was centered about 300 miles W of Hong Kong moving W or WNW at 18 knots. The associated trouble extends across the Philippines to the Marianas where another trough extends northwards to Japan.

An anti-cyclone persists over China. Today's forecast—Fresh N to NE winds, strong at times. Cloudy with some light rain during the night and early morning.

Yesterday's Weather—Maximum 79.2 deg. Fahrenheit. Minimum 72.9 deg. Fahrenheit. Sunshine 9.5 hours. Rainfall 0.1 mm. Total since Jan. 1—2104.1 mm. Total since 1947—154.7 mm.

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Israeli Troops Start Attack On Key Bases

Tel-Aviv, October 16.

The Army of Israel, ignoring the United Nations cease-fire order, today hurled tanks and planes against key Egyptian bases in Egypt and Southern Palestine.

An Israeli spokesman said the combination of air raids and fierce ground attacks disrupted lines of communications linking Egypt's forward bases in Southern Palestine with home territory and the Egyptian casualties have been heavy. Cairo reports said that Egyptian anti-tank guns set fire to all enemy tanks which attacked Egyptian positions.

The reports said that 600 Israeli troops were killed in the attacks and large quantities of weapons and ammunition were captured.

Fierce fighting broke out in Jerusalem. Despatches from the Holy City said that heavy mortar and machinegun fire was heard throughout today. There was no report on the casualties.

Israel started air and land attacks after a Jewish truck convoy in the Negav area in southern Palestine had been attacked by the Egyptian Army—United Press.

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Govt Troops Rush To Chinchow Area

Nanking, October 17.

Powerful Government reinforcements, breaking through a Communist blockade, by-passed Tashan and Kookiao in their northward march to the relief of Chinchow, the beleaguered Nationalist stronghold in the Manchurian corridor, where the situation is expected to improve, an official communique said tonight.

The communique said the Nationalist garrison in Chinchow is clinging stubbornly to its defence positions within the old walled city, despite repeated Communist efforts to dislodge the defenders.

The communique, placing the Red strength around Chinchow at 300,000 men, equipped with 200 artillery pieces and many armoured cars, claimed that more than 40,000 casualties have been inflicted on the Communist attackers since the battle began.

The communique added that, as a result of the incessant Government bombings, the Communist supply problem and lines of communications situation are becoming difficult.

Violent fighting has flared up in another part of Manchuria in the past few hours as Nationalist forces launched a two-pronged offensive against the strategic railway junction town of Sinliu from the North-East and South-East, pro-Government despatches reported today.

Sinliu, which fell into Red hands in the Communist several months ago, is situated 70 miles West of Mukden and 80 miles North West of Chinchow.

The new Government operation, which is believed to form part of the Nationalist move to recapture Chinchow and control of Manchurian corridor, came close on the heels of President Chiang's hurried trip to Mukden for a conference with General Wei Li-huang, the top Nationalist commander in Manchuria, and the installation of General Tu Yu-ming, the Deputy Commander-in-Chief for East China, as assistant to General Wei.

General Lin Piao, the Communist Commander-in-Chief in Manchuria, is reported to have rushed his crack 6th Army and part of the 10th Army from the corridor sector to reinforce the Linliu garrison.

Several newly-American-trained Nationalist units are locked in grim battle with two other Red armies near Kookiao, halfway between Chinchow and the Government held port of Huliao, where Nationalist warships—including the British gift cruiser Aurora, and the destroyer Mendip—are said to be covering the landing of several transport loads of reinforcements.

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BRITISH REDS TOLD TO SPIKE RECRUITING

London, October 17.

London chiefs of the Communist Party have instructed their branches throughout Britain to do all in their power to slow down the Government's intense recruiting drive for the Territorial Army, a Communist spokesman said this week.

Every one of the 43,000 members of the Communist Party has been asked to do his bit in making the drive as big a failure as possible. Despite the arrests already made when Communists demonstrated at recruiting meetings in London, the party says that it is determined to carry on the demonstrations wherever possible.

A vast number of leaflets for distribution to the audiences of recruiting speakers has been printed.

So far, according to London Territorial Association, the Communist counter-campaign has had little effect, if any, on the recruiting drive which aims at bringing the Territorial strength up to 150,000 by the end of next March.

Men and women have been enlisting during the past week in larger numbers than at any time since 1939. In one area, as many signed on in four days as normally join in a month. No overall figures will be issued until the drive has been at least a month under way, but War Office spokesmen are hopeful of, that the target will be reached.

Fail in Objective

An official of one Territorial Association has expressed the view that far from sabotaging the recruiting campaign, the Communist demonstrations had encouraged it.

The demonstrations at most meetings had angered the crowds and had shown clearly that the Communist had few sympathisers, he said.

A Communist leaflet most widely distributed at the recruiting meetings bears the picture of an atom bomb explosion with the words: "Fall in to this? Not likely."

Another slogan is: "No War for American Dollars."

The most spectacular exploit yet took place at the top of the Monument, a 200-foot high column rising in the heart of London's business centre. While London's business centre, the Communist meeting was going on nearby, Communists ran up the 31 steps and appeared on the 31st balcony with a huge banner reading: "No War for the Yankee Dollars."

Apert from having sufficient numbers of attendants present at the meeting to ensure that they will not be broken up in complete disorder, neither military nor Government officials intend taking any steps to stamp out the Communist campaign.

Red Protests

Following Communist protests including one to the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, from Mr. William Gallagher, one of Britain's two Communist Members of Parliament, that Army non-commissioned officers were used to effect hecklers from one meeting, the organisers have been caused to use only civilian attendants.

This is because, in a land jealous of the right of civilians, even the bitterest anti-Communist would be disappointed to see the use of military personnel to suppress a peaceful demonstration.

Interruptions at meetings in Britain have not been one-sided. In the past three or four months, Communist speakers have had a rough time.

At one provincial Communist meeting, two speakers were pulled down and their platform smashed. At another the local Communist secretary was pulled down and his platform smashed. At another the local Communist secretary was pulled down and his platform smashed.

They had to seek protection at the local police station—Reuters.

HK, CHINA TO EXCHANGE NOTES

Nanking, October 17.

The Chinese and Hong Kong Governments will exchange notes tomorrow covering a new customs treaty, by which it is hoped to tighten control of smuggling to and from the British colony.

At the ceremony, Britain will be represented by the British Charge d'Affaires, Mr. L. H. Lamb, and China by the Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Liu Shih-shun—Associated Press.

War Ruled Out By Forecaster

Wellfleet, Mass., October 17.

Statisticians, Mr. Roger W. Babson, said today that there will neither be war nor depression in 1949.

Seventy-three-year-old Babson, who forecast the 1929 crash, made his latest forecast at the third annual conference of businessmen and educators at the Babson Institute.

Mr. Babson said his confidence in peace stemmed from talks with a top Government official recently, who said that the Government was confident of business and education at the Babson Institute.

"If Stalin was starting a war he would give up maples sooner—he would not be irritating us," explained Mr. Babson.

He predicted business conditions next year would be similar to those in 1948 with a prospect for the better—United Press.

Warns China On Red Vietnam

Shanghai, October 17.

The leader of a Vietnam patriotic organisation now in Shanghai today pointed out the danger to China, "sandwiched by the Reds to the North and a Communist-controlled state to the South should the Communists' plans in Vietnam succeed."

Luu Due Trung, leader of the Vietnam Popular Movement and one-time spokesman of Emperor Bao-Dai of Annam before his separation from the monarch on account of political differences, charged that the present French policy in that troubled country is turning the people towards the Reds.

"The real desire of my people is to gain a true and genuine independence, and not to turn Communist. But, if France continues to display her present lack of sincerity in her negotiations with Vietnam, the Communist influence headed by Ho Chi-minh will undoubtedly gain ground over the whole of Indochina," Luu warned.

Luu declared: "At a time when the western powers are taking a firm stand against the Soviet Union in the UN General Assembly, the continuance of the French imperialistic hold over Vietnam against the will of its 20,000,000 people, thereby making them an easier prey to red doctrines, is a direct contribution to the 'communist' policy of the Western Allies."

Luu deplored the "wastage of manpower and the draining of the resources of France at a time when she needs them most," in continuing the futile conflict in Vietnam, claiming that the Vietnamese would never again permit themselves to fall under French subjugation—Associated Press.

CHINA MISSION FOR INDONESIA

Shanghai, October 17.

An official Chinese trade mission will leave Shanghai tomorrow for Indonesia to discuss several aspects of trade between China and Indonesia. It was learned today.

The mission will be accompanied by Mr. L. Stark, Commercial Counselor of the Netherlands Embassy—Reuters.

Western Union Finance Meet

Paris, October 17.

The Finance Ministers of the five Brussels pact nations met in a secret session at the Finance Ministry today. The French Prime Minister, M. Henri Queuille, presided.

The Ministers are expected to meet again this afternoon.

Although the meeting was cloaked in secrecy, informed sources said the top item under discussion was the financing of the defence programme of the Western bloc.

Mr. Stafford Cripps represented the United Kingdom, Mr. Gaston Eyskens, represented Belgium, Mr. Peter Lefebvre, The Netherlands, and Mr. Pierre de Fontenay, Luxembourg.

Numerous economists and advisers attended.—United Press.

Lighter On Fire Near New Godown

A number of drums of sodium peroxide, loaded onto lighter 105 tied up alongside the new Kowloon Godowns at Wal Kien Street, miraculously escaped damage when the lighter caught fire about 740 p.m. yesterday.

The lighter itself was burned to the water level before the fire was subdued. By the fire float which arrived about 17 minutes after the outbreak, and which, due to the red flag (indicating dangerous goods on board) being hoisted on the lighter, had to fight a cruel battle with the flames.

An alarm turned in resulted in four appliances from the Kowloon Fire Brigade, under Divisional Officer V. C. Seymour, being sent to the Jordan Road wharf where the fire fighters and police on the wharf were forced to stand helplessly by and see the lighter being burned, as it was realised that no water from a fire hose could possibly reach the burning craft which was, at the time, about 500 feet off the Kowloon Naval Yard.

Divisional Superintendent E. C. Jaconet, Superintendent J. P. Valderon and J. R. M. B. Wall, DO Seymour and four firemen then boarded a public motor boat and despite the dangerous cargo on board the blazing lighter, cruised round until the arrival of P. sec Launch No. 8, under SI Davitt, when they boarded the police craft.

Large crowds of spectators gathered at the wharf front in Kowloon and Hong Kong, on two or three occasions as the burning lighter was seen drifting close to the approaching craft.

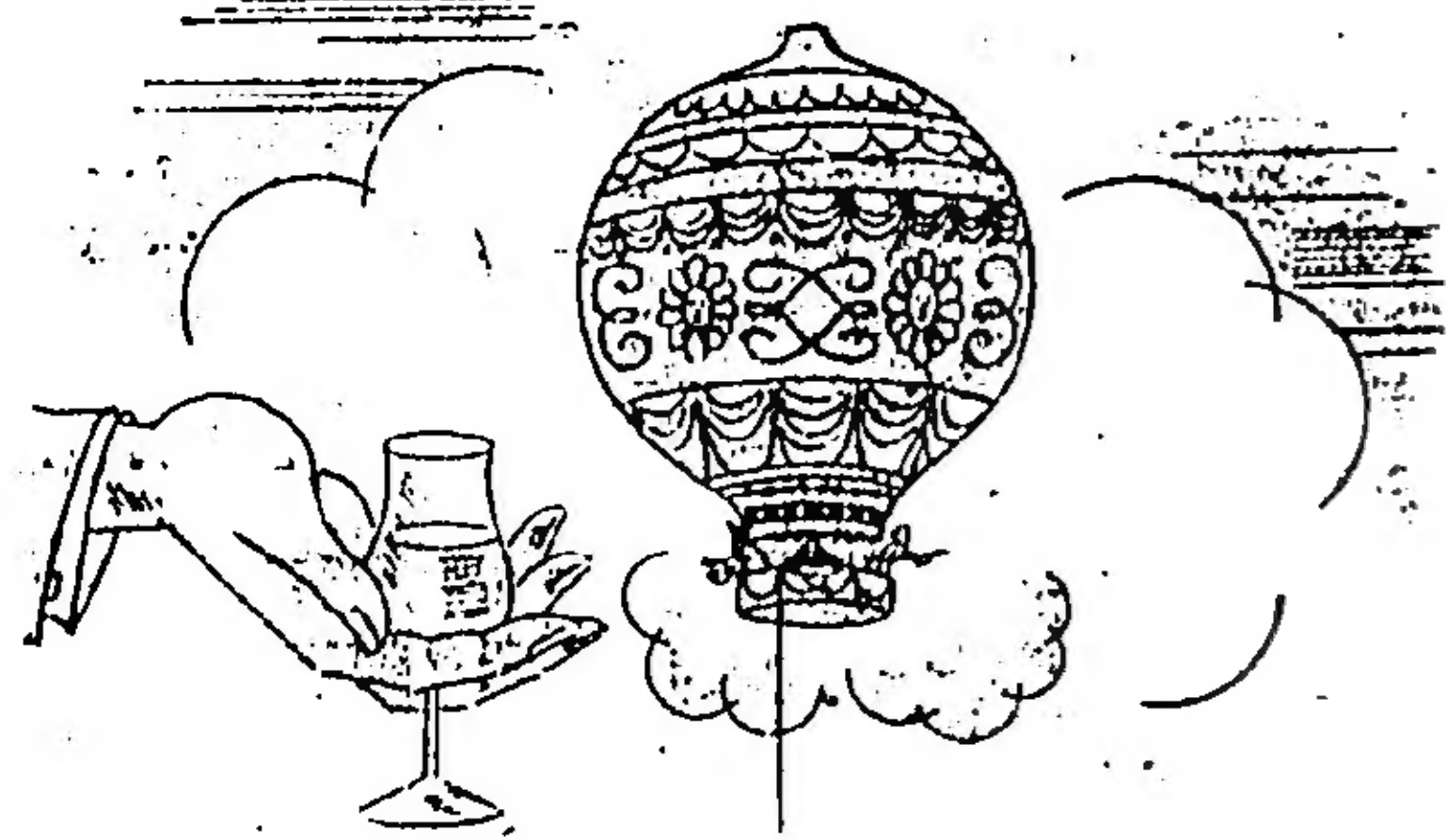
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REPORT STRESSES
NEED FOR SCHOOLS

Establishment of 100 Government vernacular schools in 20 years is one of the plans of the Hong Kong Education Department. The general policy is to improve vernacular education by building more vernacular primary and middle schools.

The 1946-47 annual report of the Education Department added that the policy includes provision of a school leaving examination in Chinese which would lead to entry into universities in China.

The Education Department is also working on a scheme whereby the maximum number of intelligent pupils may reach the School Leaving Certificate.

Plans are also under discussion to increase the number of scholarships to Matriculation and to the University.

Much good material, said the report, is being lost through the necessity of having to contribute to the family expenses at an early age.

Free Schools, or schools charging very low rates, have been started for the children of the poorer class of workers. It is hoped, said the report, to increase the number of such schools where type of education given aims at procuring a better worker and citizen rather than leading to a white collar job.

Primary education, said the report, has in the past been largely in the hands of private schools and Government aid has been directed towards education in English particularly at the secondary level.

Future Plans

Future development must be in the direction of greater participation by Government in the provision of primary and secondary education in Chinese, said the report.

Future educational planning, added the report, envisages the establishment of 50 Government vernacular schools over a period of 10 years or less — 30 in the urban area and 20 in the rural districts. In the following 10 years, a further 50 vernacular schools should be established. It was added.

The report said that unless these schools are erected, the present monopoly enjoyed by private schools will continue and fees will remain high. The proposed new schools, it added, would serve as models for the private schools and enable the Education Department to close those which do not conform strictly to the regulations.

The provision of these schools naturally will entail a large increase in the number of teachers. It is proposed, said the report, to meet the increase by extending the Rural Training College. A site has already been earmarked for the erection of a model village which would house the staff and students together with their families when necessary. It would also accommodate a farm school.

In Need Of Model

The report said that the North-west Training College, provided the response to recruitment is adequate, can deal with the teachers for urban schools. It is, however, badly in need of a hostel and the possibility of this provision is being examined.

A policy of gradually increasing the responsibility of the local staff is to be followed and outstanding teachers recommended for appointment to the unified service. Already some of them are occupying posts formerly in the hands of European officers and performing their duties efficiently, said the report.

This policy and the expansion outlined makes it necessary to strengthen the administrative side of the Department, it was added.

For some years to come, said the report, supervision will be more than ever necessary if the policy is to be carried out successfully. Similarly, the direction of the large, growing secondary schools will have to remain in the hands of European officers until selected local officers have gained sufficient experience as headmasters of primary schools, followed by special training in England to administer a large school with the same ability and success as their European colleagues.

The general policy, therefore, said the annual report, is to improve vernacular education; to build Government vernacular primary and middle schools; to increase the scope and content of teacher training; to give opportunities for local officers to reach the higher grades in the service; to bring the standard of accommodation and staff of all schools to a high level; to strengthen the administrative side; to provide free practical education for the

children of poor working class citizens; to increase subsidies to private vernacular education; to provide educational opportunities for all classes of children and to provide a school leaving examination in the vernacular which would lead to entry into universities in China.

BOAC Air
Cargo Seen
Increasing

Considerable air-cargo increases since the beginning of the year are reported by the British Overseas Airways Corporation.

More than 1,233 tons of freight were carried on the Corporation's overseas routes in the first six months of the year. This was almost 100 per cent more than the weight carried in the same period the previous year.

The increases followed the introduction, in co-operation with Qantas Empire Airways and the South African Airways, of special cargo services on BOAC's routes from Britain to the Near and Far East, including Pakistan, India, Australia and South Africa.

Among the goods carried were drugs, films, newspapers, furs, wearing apparel, manufacturers' samples, samples of wool, tea, coffee, and other primary products, surgical and scientific instruments, flowers, and plants and plants and live animals.

Chinese Clerks'
General Meeting

The first post war General Meeting of the Hong Kong Chinese Clerks' Association was held yesterday at 11 a.m. at the Kam Ling Restaurant.

Mr. K. Baker, Labour Officer, was invited to make a speech to the members of the Association. He explained the importance of the unity of the white collar class and strongly indicated that besides the friendship between members, the Association should look after their interests, especially tangible ones.

After Mr. Baker's departure, members of the Association carried on their meeting. New supervisory and executive committees were elected and a slight amendment to the prospectus was made. The meeting closed at 4.30 p.m.

USS Oakland In
Port On Short Visit

A silent but warm welcome greeted the arrival of the United States cruiser Oakland yesterday afternoon.

No gun salute was fired when the formidable American warship passed Lyceum Pass, as her routine visit to the Colony is a non-ceremonial one.

The USS Oakland is expected to stay here for four days. One of the key-craft in the Pacific operations against the Japanese during the war, the Oakland was one of the American vessels to enter Sugami Bay, Tokyo, with the Occupation Forces on August 27, 1945.

Launched in October, 1942 at San Francisco, the light cruiser of the San Diego class took part in the Iwo Jima attack in December, 1943.

She played an important role in the invasion of the Marshalls at the beginning of 1944 and



The USS Oakland arrived here yesterday on a non-ceremonial visit. A light cruiser and one of the 11 San Diego class ships, the Oakland is the outstanding feature of the fleet of her type — triple main gun, double gun, and triple main gun.

Wedding
Rew-Cruz

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Cruz pose outside St. Margaret's Church after their wedding yesterday. The happy couple is flanked by Miss Helen Rew, sister of the bride and bridesmaid, and Mr. L. E. Cruz, best man. The ceremony was conducted by the Rev. Fr. Liberatore. — "China Mail" Photo.

Pretty Wedding
At St. Margaret's

The wedding of Miss Margaret Mary Rew, daughter of Mrs. Annie Rew and the late Mr. T. J. Rew, and Mr. Eduardo Hugo Cruz, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Cruz, took place at St. Margaret's Church yesterday. The ceremony was conducted by the Rev. Fr. Liberatore.

The bride was given away by Mr. J. V. Cordeiro. She wore a Princess gown of nylon tulle, trimmed with embroidered lace, with a long train. The veil was held in place with a heart-shaped crown of orange blossoms. The bride carried a sheaf of tuberoses.

Miss Helen Rew, sister of the bride, was the bridesmaid. Her gown was of blue tulle with a spray of pink flowers and she carried a bouquet of pink roses. The bride was also attended by two flower-girls, Miss Patricia Cruz, her niece, and Miss Marie Teixeira. They wore blue frocks, trimmed with small roses made of blue ribbon and carried posies of pink flowers.

The bridegroom's best man was Mr. L. E. Cruz, Master Carlos Teixeira was the groomsman.

After the ceremony, a reception was given at Club Lusitana after which the couple left for Repulse Bay for the honeymoon.

The bride wore a costume of sky-blue-rosaline crepe with white accessories as her going-away dress.

SMALL FIRE IN
POLICE GARAGE

A small fire broke out in the garage at Central Police Station yesterday morning at 4 a.m.

The Emergency Unit under Inspector F. Penfold was called out and immediately extinguished the fire.

The fire is believed to have been caused by a battery charger that was left on overnight. There was no damage other than that to the battery charger.

Atomic Planes
On The Way

Baltimore, October 10. An engineer of the Oak Ridge Atomic project in Tennessee, Mr. David P. Paul, reports that the theory of the atom-driven aeroplane is "99 per cent perfect."

He told the Baltimore Society of Automotive Engineers that the job was now up to the "slide rule men" to design plane controls and protection for pilots and crew. — Reuter.

"Evil Spirits"
Cause OF
Colony Fires

The cause behind the frequent outbreak of fire in this Colony recently has been discovered at last.

Evil spirits from the world beyond, which are roaming the streets of Hong Kong, are responsible for these fires, which have in certain cases caused a heavy death toll.

This is the view of many superstitious Chinese, who have already embarked on a programme to appease these evil spirits by arranging for the performance of religious rites in the streets.

At these rites, which are presided over by a monk, the golden coloured crown and dressed in flowing yellow robes, roast pork, chicken, rice, wine and cakes are placed on a large table. Candles and incense sticks are lighted and as the monk chants the appropriate prayers to the gods, rice is scattered to the four winds and the customary sacrificial papers burnt.

On conclusion of the ceremony, firecrackers are discharged. The funds for these rites are being contributed by the "kai fong" or residents of each street, in which the services are conducted.

The names of these contributing towards the services are posted up on a large piece of red paper so that the evil spirits may know the identities of their benefactors and not molest them or cause any harm to the premises in which they live.

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Street Girls
Rule Roost

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Woman Photographer
Creates Pictorial
History Of Old South

New Orleans.

Miss Frances Benjamin Johnston has been a photographer 60 years. Now, 84 years old she has so many plans she thinks it will take "about another 60 years" to finish them.

Most of her future plans concern recording on film the buildings of the old South, an occupation to which she has devoted the last 20 years.

"You have to keep right after that, you know," she said in her century-old home in the New Orleans French Quarter. So many states are letting their best examples of old architecture crumble away. It's nearly criminal."

Right now, Miss Johnston is shuttling between New Orleans and Washington putting the final touches on a book covering Louisiana architecture from the 1720's to the 1850's.

Architect Collaborates

She hopes she and her collaborator, Samuel Wilson, Jr., a New Orleans architect, will be through with their job by October and that the University of North Carolina Press will get the book out next spring.

"It's quite possible the book may help Louisiana realise the importance of preserving these early examples of its culture," Miss Johnston said. She is familiar with this reaction, having illustrated books on Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida and other sections of the South.

Miss Johnston, who claims to have been Washington's first news photographer and who filmed the White House signing of the document ending the Spanish-American War, has received particular recognition for her architectural photography.

She has been handed nearly \$30,000 in nine grants from the Carnegie Corporation to traverse some 200,000 miles taking pictures of old mansions and old hotels in the South. The Library of Congress, with which she has a semi-official connection, has 10,000 of

Funeral Of
Mr. Ollerdesen

The funeral of Mr. Albert Francis Ollerdesen took place at the Colonial Cemetery yesterday. The service was conducted by the Reverend George Shee.

The chief mourners were his two sons and a daughter-in-law. A large number of wreaths were sent by the many relatives and friends who were present, including Messrs. J. T. Hunt, H. Mailland, F. V. Needs, A. V. White, F. C. Roberts and H. Gallop, who acted as pallbearers. Dr. Green, A. H. Roberts, Andrew T. W. King, E. A. Brodie, T. T. King, H. P. Yew, A. C. Kew, C. Jack, S. Saul, H. Lam, Lincoln Loh, T. S. Liu, and T. L. Qing.

Sweeping Alliance
Being Considered

Washington, October 17.

A sweeping alliance, binding North American powers with non-communist Europe in a mutual defence system, is being studied by American, Canadian and key European foreign policy officials.

They are understood to have decided tentatively that nothing less can provide the western world with security.

The State and Defence Departments are charting a programme of military support for western Europe which goes far beyond a peacetime lend-lease arms plan. Best guesses at the cost run upward from US\$2,000,000,000 a year for from three to five years.

Programme aims would be: (1) To protect Western Europe against Soviet aggression. (2) To develop self reliance in Western Europe rapidly so American aid could end.

The heart of the European defence system being developed in Britain, France, Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg. Should American forces be added, an American officer may head the alliance.

State Department experts would like the Scandinavian countries, Portugal and Iceland in the defence association.

Members of the alliance, as conceived in Washington, would agree to consider an attack upon one in an attack on all and consult together on appropriate action. They would not agree to go to war automatically.

President Truman yesterday ordered the nation's military reserves to be built up "without delay" and announced the military budget next year will be US\$14,400,000,000. But aides said the order was not based on any worsening world situation. And Truman expressed belief that world tension had eased slightly.

From his campaign train he issued orders to Defence Secretary James Forrestal to expand reserve training in the interests of "our position in the world today."

On arriving, he announced the new military budget figure, which runs about US\$2,000,000,000 higher than current spending — Associated Press.



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RUSSIA FLAYS BLACK MARKET IN W ZONES

Berlin, October 16. Black market purchases in the Eastern Zone for resale in Western Germany were aimed at lowering the Soviet Zone standard of living and obstructing its economic "two-year plan," a Soviet Zone official alleged today.

Dr. Karl Steiner, vice-president of the Finance Section of the Soviet Zone Economic Commission, told the Soviet-licensed German news agency that this charge was confirmed by the discovery of large-scale speculation in some parts of the Soviet Zone organized in Berlin's Western sectors, reports of numerous arrests of Western Berlin black-market-eers in the Soviet Zone and

the seizure of large amounts of Western marks.

The Soviet occupation authorities would take protective measures, he declared, adding: "The Western mark will not be allowed into the Soviet Zone or to have any value there."

The Western mark has always been illegal in the Soviet Zone. Reports from Frankfurt said that General Sir Brian Robertson and General Lucius D. Clay, the British and American Military Governors in Germany, and Major General R.J. Nollet, the French Deputy Military Governor, talked for three hours on Trizonal economic fusion.

Signed Today

Afterwards, Mr. Robert Murphy, the American political adviser to General Clay, indicated that an agreement would probably be signed on Monday.

The conference was regarded as of unusual importance, General Clay confirmed later this afternoon that the fusion agreement of the Joint Export-Import Agency with the French Officecom would be signed "probably within two or three days," and the organization would start functioning about November 1.

He said there were no differences left and it was just a matter of putting things on paper.

The merged organizations for the foreign trade of the Bizone and the French Zone would retain the name of JEIA and Officecom would be transformed into "the French Zone Agency of JEIA."

Most of today's session had been spent in discussing the occupation statute. General Clay observed he announced that he was flying to New York on Wednesday to attend a dinner given by the Alphonse Smith Memorial Foundation and was returning the following night.

During the few hours of his visit to the United States, he hoped to have a chance of meeting Governor Thomas E. Dewey, the Republican Presidential candidate.

Not Retiring

Asked whether his plans for retirement would be accelerated by the coming into office of a Republican Administration, he said he would certainly not ask to retire while Berlin was blocked and the present tension lasted.

This afternoon, General Clay presided over a meeting of German Labour Ministers of the Bizone and Anglo-American manpower officials which was addressed on a "training within industry" programme by Mr. John J. McCarthy, training director of the American firm of General Motors.

At a meeting of German Bizone leaders yesterday, the British and American Governments had asked them to concentrate on two bottlenecks holding up German coal production and industrial recovery—shortage of power due to inefficient use and shortage of housing for the miners.

The Military Government, saying that the efforts to provide more miners' homes and so attract more miners were unsatisfactory because of the lack of finance, asked for a German "Reconstruction Loan Corporation" to finance investment in urgent projects like housing and power stations to be set up without delay.

General Clay confirmed that a common Anglo-American-French decision on the reduction of German excess luxuries had been agreed upon and passed to the German authorities for further legislative action.—Reuter.

Bank Employees, \$600,000 Missing

Two Shanghai Chinese employees of the Swatow branch of the Central Bank of China, who are alleged to have been entrusted with HK\$600,000, are reported to have disappeared with the money.

The two employees were said to have been detailed to bring the money to the Hong Kong branch of the Central Bank of China by plane on October 14.

Three persons who were instructed to meet these two employees are reported to have arrived late at the airport, and consequently missed them on arrival.

It was originally thought that the two employees would bring the money to the bank themselves, but as they did not put in an appearance, report has it is understood, been made to the Police.

100,000 KILLED ON SATURDAY

San Francisco, October 17. The Chinese Communist radio claimed on Saturday 100,000 Nationalist troops were killed, wounded or captured in the fall of Chian-shan government rail and supply base in Manchuria.

The broadcast, heard here by the Associated Press, claimed these Nationalist forces were among those eliminated by the Communists in a 31-hour battle for the city.

North East bandit suppression headquarters, Hsueh Jehol Linning border area headquarters, National 6th Army headquarters, three divisions of the 93rd Army, three divisions of the New 8th Army, one division of the 10th Army and one division of the 49th.

Heaviest losses, said the radio, were inflicted on the 12th and 16th Artillery Regiments, 3rd Armoured Car Regiment, 12th Engineering Regiment, 2nd Gendarmerie Regiment and Motor Transportation Regiment.—Associated Press.

2 COUNTRIES APPLY TO UN

Lake Success, October 16. Mongolia and Albania again have applied for membership in the United Nations. It was announced today.

UN headquarters made public a telegram from Premier Chel Balson of the Mongolian People's Republic capital at Ulan Bator, which changed this Mongolian previous application in 1946 was rejected because of the negative attitude of certain countries.

He said Mongolia cannot accept rejection of her application, and requested that it be re-submitted.—United Press.

Hospital Sunday



A well attended service was held at the St. John's Cathedral yesterday in observance of Hospital Sunday. A detachment from the St. John Ambulance Brigade, numbering about 45, including 13 nurses under the command of their Corp Officer R. A. Edwards is shown above as it paraded into the cathedral. Dr. K. H. Little delivered the sermon in connection with the occasion while Dr. G. H. Thomas and Dr. J. Gray read the lessons. ("China Mail" Photos).



Benedictines At Work On Bible

Rome.

Twenty Benedictine monks are toiling on one of the most monumental scholastic tasks of all time, the production of a true version of the official Roman Catholic Bible.

For nearly 50 years now, the specially-trained philologists of the French St. Jerome Monastery in Rome have been at their job. The first seven books of the Old Testament have been revised and published in a new edition, for scholars only.

The monks expect to be at the work 20 years from now. But time is of no importance to them in their modern book-lined library, where their laborious study of ancient biblical manuscripts is so exacting that they can work only three hours a day.

The great work began about the turn of the century. Pope Pius X decided that the official Roman Catholic Bible—the Latin Vulgate edition, as it is called—needed revision. The objective was stated simply: to produce the best possible critical edition, one that would come as close as possible to St. Jerome's translation of the Bible from Hebrew.

Jerome Version Lost

St. Jerome's work of the 4th century has never been found, but present-day editions of the Bible stem from translations of reproductions of his work that were passed down through the ages. The scholars of the Catholic Church believed that it left room for various translation errors, which the monks of St. Jerome hope to correct.

The abbots of the monastery, Father Pierre Salmon, direct the great project. He said the work makes it almost exclusively for scholars but, "It is expected to be the cornerstone of any future scholarly critical editions of the Bible, whether Catholic or Protestant."

The work began with a worldwide search for all ancient manuscripts which formed the basis for present Bibles, including the Clementine edition of 1592, which is the currently-accepted Latin Vulgate Bible of the Catholic Church. Not even the scholars who published the Clementine edition had access to all the information the St. Jerome monastery gathered.

Old parchment manuscripts, documents written on leather and scratched in a variety of scripts, faded with time, marked by the foraging trail of worms, all in Latin and all dating from the seventh to the 14th centuries, were carefully gathered by the advance guard of experts. The best documents were found in Italy, but other important ones came from France, Britain, Ireland and southern Germany—and one from Russia.

Grow Old On Job

Crews of experts looked over the documents on the spot. The best were photographed and the photostatic copies sent on to the St. Jerome Monastery.

The scholars were trained in Hebrew, Greek, Latin, French, German and English—and the Semitic languages of Aramaic

Pellets Go Off, Cause Injuries

The combustion of an as yet undetermined chemical resulted in Lam Kai-cheung, 62-year-old Government pensioner, being admitted to Kowloon Hospital about 5.45 p.m. yesterday with severe injuries to his hands and slight injuries to his eyes and abdomen.

According to a police report, Lam was in the process of pouring some pellets into a tobacco tin when the explosion, which could be heard within a radius of 200 yards occurred. Lam felt intense pain on both his hands, his eyes and his stomach, while the table on which the tin was placed was badly damaged.

The pellets, it was learned, were "confiscated" by Kwok Fung-ha, Lam's wife, from their two sons, who were experimenting with them up on the roof. Some chemical which Lam Ho-yang, 20-year-old son of the injured man, said was given to him by Lee Yu-lam, a former school mate of the deceased. Ho-yang, who was rolled into pellets by the two boys and left to dry.

When dried, one of the pills was accidentally dropped on to the roof and a minor explosion took place. This resulted in the mother going up to the roof, taking the pellets off the boys, and handing them to the father.

A party of police, led by Detective Sub-Inspector W. G. Morrison and Detective Wong Yau, were quickly on the scene, and investigations are still being conducted by these CID men.

Tablet Discovered To Keep Men Going

London.

A London chemist has developed a drug which is said to be the answer to fear of starvation in emergencies.

Experiments under medical supervision are stated to have proved that man can go without food or drink on a tablet diet without his physical or mental functions being impaired.

A dose of elagone, which is the name of the wonder drug, occupying in space a vest pocket, can keep men alive and working for a period of five days up to a week.

Elagone is no substitute for food and a square meal but it can help in an emergency when food is not available. It is said by its inventors to be able to solve acute starvation in stricken areas, to keep shipwrecked people alive, or to help entire armies operating in the field or cut off from their supply bases.

Experiment Succeeds

An experiment carried out under the supervision of a medical board with 76 medical students as guinea pigs has shown, according to a certified summary, that five days' men had "lived on" tablets without either food or drink and had gained 11.

Large scale production is being prepared to make elagone available all over the world. Medical students from various hospitals volunteered to undergo a five day test, supervised by a medical board.

Background To Present UN Meeting

STEPHEN COULTER, Graphic Correspondent in Paris, takes you behind the scenes of the Third General Assembly of the United Nations Organization.

In five museums in the gilded underground theatre here 800 men from 58 States have begun a week of talks in an attempt to clear up the world's political ills. They form the Third General Assembly of the organization called the United Nations.

The museums of the Palais de Chaillot, U.N.G.'s Paris home, have been cleared of their normal exhibits of stuffed birds, replicas of ape men and interesting to-mahawks.

The only remaining items are a primitive society's totem pole, inscribed with early taboo (or veto) figures and a few ancient church portraits poised above the duplicating machine which has been moved in, and a handful of movable heroic statues presiding over the scramble of the Press floor.

Tropical Inscription

The Soviet Press Bureau is housed in a model of the former crypts of the Puy Cathedral.

And above the stage of the theatre, where the General Assembly will meet, workmen have carefully left the gilded inscription meant for another context: "Dramatic action animating" this place of human fellowship.

The organization of making the 1948 peace—or trying to preserve it—is frighteningly complex.

The vast halls of the semi-circular Palais, which were built for the 1937 Paris Exhibition in the shadow of the Eiffel Tower, have been divided into thousands of roofless little cubicles filled with hundreds of desks, miles of coconut matting, scores of olive cabinets and mountains of paper.

For three months three thousand unhurried French workmen with little parcels of sausage and red wine, have sawed, hammered and fitted in place whole radio stations, bars and translator booths.

Telling The World

The UNO radio station, worth 2,100,000, includes the special recording studios and rooms for broadcasting interviews with delegates.

A printing plant will print 60,000 sheets of paper daily while the UNO telephone switchboard linking 2,500 instruments and operated by 35 girls is big enough for the normal needs of a town of 100,000 inhabitants.

Walls have been cut away to accommodate half a dozen new lifts, two post offices have been installed to handle delegates' mail and sell special United Nations stamps.

And to cope with the more unforeseen vicissitudes of the organized diplomatic war, a first aid clinic equipped with an operating table—and a padded cell—has been moved in.

Busy Translators

To house the opening and closing sessions of the General Assembly, 3,000 seats in the underground theatre have been replaced by long lines of green banquet covered desks for delegates. The upper galleries are reserved for public spectators.

Strung around the ends of the upper balconies are glassed-in "aquariums" where will work the simultaneous translators' who switch into five different languages the delegates' speeches as they are pronounced for relay through earphones to the audience.

Reminders

Today

Hindu Association, general meeting, 35, Wyndham Street, 8 p.m.

King George V School Parents Association meeting, European YMCA, 3.30 p.m. (tea served)

Crown Land Sale, PWD Office, 3 p.m.

H.K. Light Orchestra rehearsal, 37B, Robinson Road, 8 p.m.

Whist Drive, European YMCA, 8 p.m.

West Lounge, 8 p.m.

Hankow Interscholar League, Caroline Hill, 8 p.m.

China Coast Navigation & Engineering Officers Guild, Ordinary General Meeting, Union Bldg., 8 p.m.

Coming Events Tomorrow

H.K. Rotary Club luncheon talk on "The Price of Peace" by Rev. A. P. Rose, Roof Garden, H.K. Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Tee H Club Meeting, Taihot House, 60, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.

Russian Orthodox Church Ladies Association, annual general meeting, Church premises, Essex Crescent, Kowloon Tong, 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

Opening of Violet Peel Polytechnic, Wanchoi.

Kowloon Rotary Club luncheon, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.

Ladies Night, Y. M. C. Club of Hong Kong.

FRIDAY

Hong Kong Chamber Music Club, Concert at Government House, 8.30 p.m.



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Old members are invited to state what guests they wish to introduce and prospective members to apply for invitations to:

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Twentieth Annual Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of China Underwriters, Limited, will be held at the Offices of the Company, 4A, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 27th day of October, 1948, at noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the year ended December 31, 1947, and of electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books and Register of Members of the Company will be closed from the October 19, 1948, to the October 27, 1948, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

E. R. CHILDE,
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Hong Kong, October 18, 1948.

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The Ordinary General Meeting of members of the above Guild will be held at the office, Union Building, 21, Pedder Street, Hong Kong, at 5 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 18, 1948.

GEORGE T. LLOYD,
General Secretary.

Hong Kong, Oct. 10, 1948.

Bride Home After Ordeal



Travelling by boat train from Harwich, 19-year-old Joyce Kilbach, with her German husband, a former POW, and their two children, arrived recently in London after a harrowing ordeal through the Soviet Zone in Germany. The Russians accused her of spying for Britain and subjected her to repeated harsh questionings. The couple managed to escape to the British Zone, and from there made their way to England.—(AP Photo.)

US AID TO CHINA NOT ACHIEVING PURPOSE

Shanghai, October 17. The American-owned Shanghai Evening Post and Mercury in an editorial today said American aid to China is not achieving its primary purpose—stimulation of a spirit of self-help.

"It has, on the contrary," the editorial said, "tended mostly to stimulate a desire to cut down on the reviving enterprise of what should be the backbone of China—Chinese private business."

"The reason for this is not far to seek," the editorial continued. "Those in charge of Chinese government officials, who have made it an open secret that they wish to go far beyond the restricted areas of government enterprise which were indicated during wartime, and on the contrary to see that government of government-held enterprise sweep the field in the most typical totalitarian economic style."

"Thus we see the efforts of Chinese private enterprise to obtain vital machinery for rebuilding their plants held up and cancellations of long-standing orders abroad compelled, even when in desperation the buyers are ready and able to arrange for foreign exchange without any drain on China's own admittedly low foreign exchange resources."

ARGENTINE CELEBRATIONS

Buenos Aires, October 16. For the second time in less than a month the Argentine Government will bring national life to a complete standstill tomorrow as part of a gigantic political demonstration.

The occasion is the third anniversary of the "March of the Desamassador" (shirtless) when a demonstration by thousands of laborers resulted in the release of General Juan Peron—now President—from a naval prison where he had been confined after his dismissal from the vice-presidency a few days earlier.

During the two hours demonstration football matches will be suspended—all cinemas, restaurants and bars will be closed and railway and other transport services paralysed.

Argentina will, in addition, be cut off from radio and telegraphic communication with the rest of the world between 5.00 p.m. and 7.30 p.m. local time.—Reuter.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

Eighth Extra Race Meeting

Saturday, 23rd October, 1948.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10 including tax are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such Member, to be responsible for all chits etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasurers' Comptroller Office will close at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. Both Offices at 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3 including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Bookmakers' Tis Tea men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

Servants' passes will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY, who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties but must remain in their employers' stands.

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MAKE COMPLETE PLAN NO MATTER how good any play may be, when considered as part of itself alone, it can be the wrong move if it does not fit in as a logical part of the entire play of the hand. There are plenty of players, however, who "can't be bothered" by such things as complete plans. They begin to rattle in tricks in one suit or another as soon as they see what appears a good way to do it. Later on, they find sometimes that they should not have made one or more of those early "good plays," but some other play or plays which could have done more good.

S Q J 9 3
H K Q 10
D Q 8 6
C 7 6 5
S 5 2
H A 9 4 3
D K 3
C K J 10
4 3
N W E S
S A K 8 7 4
H None
D A J 9 7 5
C A Q 2
(Dealer: North. East-West vulnerable.)

North East South West
Pass Pass 1 S Pass
2 S Pass 6 S

That was not the bidding at all tables of the big tournament in St. Louis where this deal arose, but by one means or another most pairs reached the same conclusion. Incidentally, the South, who incidentally prides himself on his speed, but every once in a while he regrets it. This was one of those times.

West led the spade 5, to avoid pitching away from his honours in the other suits, and South quickly raked in the two trump tricks that cleared the suit, the

second of them in the dummy. He had noticed in a flash that there was a way to get rid of two clubs while losing just one trick. So he tried it, leading the heart K from dummy and putting on the club 2. West winning with the A. Wishing to avoid a lead from his minor kings, West returned the heart 3, which the Q won, the club Q being tossed away. Now came the declarer's hopeful trial of the diamond finesse. When it failed, he was down one.

Where there were better declarers, it was seen that the diamond finesse was the key to the play. After getting trumps out in two rounds, that finesse was lost to West. Back in, South used his diamonds to discard two of dummy's clubs. Having two trumps left in the dummy, he was able then to ruff his club 2. The boys and girls who made a simple complete plan of this kind reaped their just reward with a good score as against the bad score for the hurry-up fellow.

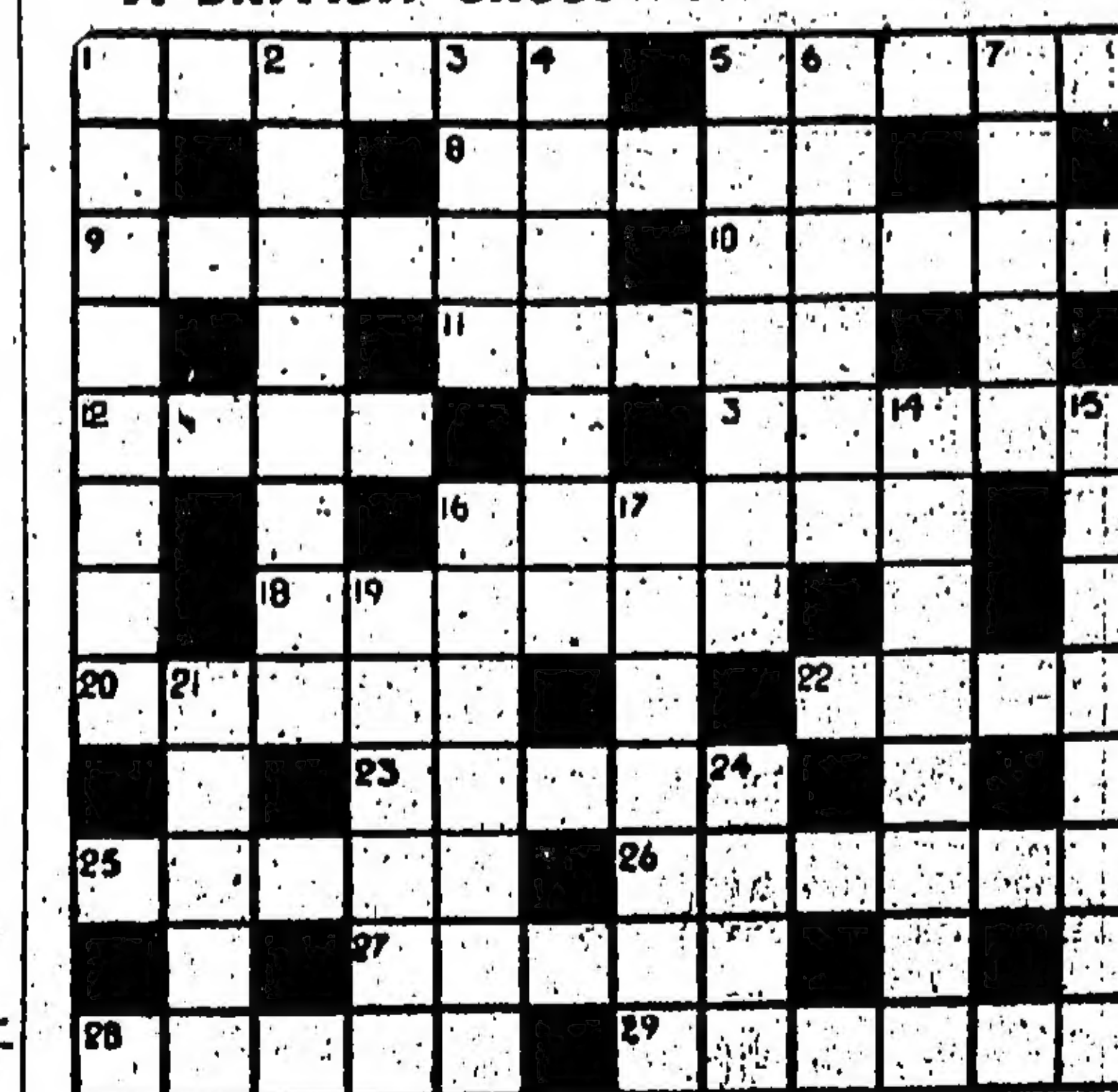
Tomorrow's Problem
S 10 2
H Q 10 7 6 3 2
D K 9 5
C K C

S K 5
H J 8 5
D 7 4 3 2
C Q 5 3
N W E S
S A Q J 9
H 8 7 4
D 7 4 3 2
C A Q 10 8
S C J 9

S 6 3
H A K 4
D J 6
C A 10 6 7 4 2
(Dealer: East. East-West vulnerable.)

After East's 1-Spade, South's 2-Clubs and North's 2-Hearts, what should East bid next in rubber bridge?

A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Clues Across

1. Alarmed
2. Nautical
3. Vexes
4. Outlandish
5. Ing
6. Custom
7. Share
8. Gentle
9. Gets up
10. Feast
11. Buried

Clues Down

1. Taking for
2. Control
3. Modern
4. Mesopotamia
5. Weakens
6. Taking
7. Neither side
8. A thick
9. Debate
10. Looks for
11. Stowed
12. Prescribed
13. amounts
14. Well-bred
15. Deserved
16. Elevate
17. Flank

Saturday's Crossword

ACROSS—1 Whip, 2 Demur, 8 Epic, 9 Evil, 10 Ascribe, 12 Trap, 16 Irony, 18 Plan, 19 Enamel, 21 Cruel, 22 Dale, 23 Ewers, 25 Early, 26 Kind.

Jews Refuse Cease Fire Call

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RAF Attack In Malaya

Singapore, October 16. Royal Air Force Spitfires and Beaufighters, using bombs, rockets and cannons, launched their biggest attack of the Malayan anti-terrorist campaign against hideouts in the West Pahang jungle during the past 48 hours.

The attacks followed months of preparation, during which special aerial photographic equipment was used to survey the area.

In North Perak, police and troops today launched a big offensive to clean up the worst trouble centre in all Malaya—in the Sungai Siput area, near Ipoh, where terrorism began last June when three European planters were murdered in one day.

The forces, combining in today's operations, evacuated 500 Chinese squatters, believed to have been concealing and aiding terrorists. One hundred of the squatters' huts were then burned down. Five known terrorists were captured in the drive, which was continuing tonight.—Reuter.

"Liar And Mouthpiece" Says Pavlov Of Mayhew

Paris, October 17. Russia claimed on Saturday that the British delegate Christopher Mayhew is a liar and a mouthpiece for Fascism in the United Nations. "He has started a cold war in the UN Social Committee," said Russian delegate Alexei Pavlov. Pounding the table and flailing his arms, the black bearded Russian professor replied bitterly to Mr. Mayhew's speech to the Committee the day before. In that speech Mr. Mayhew had accused Russia of denying freedom to millions of workers in a monstrous slave system without parallel in world history.

The East-West war of words has accompanied debate on a proposed U.N. declaration of human rights. Russia has demanded that the declaration protect an individual against criminal attempts on his person such as lynching and has proposed abolition of the death penalty in time of peace. Mr. Pavlov, two days ago, accused Britain of ill treating its colonial peoples and said millions had died in conditions of semi-slavery. Mr. Mayhew replied on Friday in one of the most blistering attacks on Russia ever heard in a United Nations Committee.

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, American delegate and a drafter of the declaration, tried on Friday to stem the tide of the cold war.

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Tel Aviv, October 16.

The Israeli authorities tonight refused to comply with a United Nations request for a cease fire in the Negev desert area of Southern Palestine, where the Egyptians were reported to have attacked Jewish convoys and settlements.

After announcing an offensive in the Negev to maintain their communications with their outlying settlements, the Jews had earlier today imposed a news blackout on the renewed fighting.

In a note to Colonel Henri Vignier, the United Nations Chief of Staff, Israel declared that it could not order a suspension of operations until it had obtained full guarantees from the Chiefs of Staff that traffic to and from the Negev would be allowed to pass unimpeded by the Egyptians.

The Israeli refusal came after conversations between Israeli and United Nations representatives here this morning. The refusal came in reply to a cease fire call to both sides from the United Nations representative, General William E. Rile, who described the Negev operations as "grave violations of the truce."

The Jewish reply said the note was only a preliminary observation. The note added that in view of the continuing Egyptian attacks by land and air against Jewish settlements and positions in the Negev and the obstinate refusal of the Egyptians to honour the decision on the use of the road, the Provisional Government was unable to comply with the cease fire request.

An Israeli military spokesman declared today that the renewed fighting in the Negev did not mean a general resumption of hostilities there. The Jewish offensive was designed to keep open communications with the outlying settlements in the area, he said.

The spokesman, who was answering questions from reporters, said the Egyptians had been fortifying their positions in the region and had continually tried to prevent Jewish supplies passing. This was contrary to a United Nations decision that the convoys were allowed under the terms of the Palestine truce to use the road during a certain period daily.

The United Nations had been informed immediately of an attack by Egyptians on a Jewish convoy near Karalya yesterday, he added. He did not know whether United Nations observers had been sent to investigate.

An earlier announcement said the Israeli Air Force made two bombing attacks on Egyptian bases last night. The spokesman said Egyptian artillery heavily shelled the Jewish settlement of Nir Am North East of Gaza.

Unofficial reports said the targets of the Israeli bombers were the air bases at Gaza and El Arish and troops concentrations at Majdal and Beer Sheva. Three Egyptian Spitfires, travelling Northwards, were today intercepted by an Israeli air patrol, which hit one and turned back the other two, an Israeli military spokesman said.

He added that Egyptian lines of communications had been cut in several places in the Negev front. A United Nations spokesman in Haifa said tonight that the situation in Jerusalem was deteriorating. Both sides have renewed hostilities there with mortar and heavy machine gun fire.

Severe explosions were heard in Jerusalem today. In Amman it was stated that the Jews were believed to be blowing up Arab

Navy Offers Commissions

London, October 16. The Admiralty announced that it will offer short service commissions in the electrical branch of the Royal Navy to former officers of the torpedo, special electrical and air branches of the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve who were employed on technical duties connected with radar electrical equipment.

The period of service will be five years on the active list and four years on the reserve list. Officers who complete the full period on the active list will be eligible for a gratuity of £500 and pro rata for shorter periods.

Candidates must have completed one year's mobilised service as an officer and be under 35 years of age on January 1, 1949.—Reuter.

buildings in the southern part of the Holy City.

One heavy explosion was also heard in the Mount Zion area. Pillars of smoke were seen. Gunfire and machine gun fire was heard all night from the Telhute settlement area in Jerusalem.

The Jews claimed in a communique this morning that they beat off sustained Arab attacks, covered by mortar and heavy machine gun fire, on positions around Mount Zion.

Arabs Repulsed

The Arab attack started last night, but was thrown back early today, it was stated.

Another United Nations source in Haifa disclosed that the senior United Nations observer in Jerusalem, Colonel George Millet of the United States, was today fired on by an Arab machine gun while driving to a Truce Commission meeting.

Colonel Millet was at the time riding in a white United Nations sedan car with the United States consul on their way to a meeting of the Truce Commission at the French Consulate.

Three bullets entered the car, missing the two men only by inches. The car was conspicuously flying the United Nations flag and a white flag, the source added.

An Israeli military spokesman said today after heavy Egyptian shelling of the Jewish settlement of Gath, about 30 miles south of Tel Aviv, Israeli aircraft bombed nearby Fulul, a bastion of the Egyptians' line.

Israeli armoured units entered Ira Al Mansheeh, killed a number of Egyptians, destroyed arms dumps and returned to their base, having lost three light tanks, the spokesman added.—Reuter.

Truman Announces Defence Budget

Washington, October 16.

President Truman today announced a defence budget for next year of \$14,400,000,000 for the United States.

In making the announcement he said there was a slight easing of world tension.

Mr. Truman made the announcement at a special press conference on his return to Washington from an election campaign tour in the Middle West.

He told reporters there had been some improvement in the peace outlook and in the Russian attitude and that he held stoutly to his hopes for eventual world peace.

The President said he was optimistic over the chances for his election and he thought there would be a lot of startled voters in November.

Some Improvement

Mr. Truman said the debates in the United Nations were still going on. That in itself gave him some reason for optimism. He added there had been some improvement in the Russian approach in that they were better about talking things over.

Mr. Truman said his defence officials wanted a budget of about \$23,000,000,000 for the fiscal year starting July 1, but he had cut them back to \$14,400,000,000. This year's figure is about \$12,000,000,000.

Hundreds Of Ships Tied

San Francisco, October 17. Ships tied up by the Pacific coast maritime strike now total 222. Shipowners said the number will reach 375 if the 45 day-old strike continues.

Sixty-one struck vessels are tied up at San Francisco, 35 at Los Angeles, 31 at Seattle, 27 at New York and 23 at Portland. Others are scattered among smaller ports.

Allan Haywood, CIO national Vice President, continued peace talks with the employers' subcommittee.—Associated Press.

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Security Council Emergency Session

Paris, October 16.

The Security Council is prepared to go into an emergency session soon in an effort to save the Palestine truce from collapsing as the result of the renewed full scale fighting in Negev.

Discussions are underway between United Nations secretariat officials and the American delegation, whose chief delegate, Mr. Warren Austin, is currently the president of the Security Council. They are talking about how soon the Council could convene to consider the dangerous hostilities in southern Palestine.

The flare up of heavy fighting between Israeli and Egyptian land and air force in northern Negev came at the same time as a message from the United Nations Truce Commission in Jerusalem which reported that Arabs are firing "indiscriminately and sometimes deliberately" at United Nations and foreign consular officials.

Many delegates, shocked by the breakdown in the truce, were also expected to press for a full Assembly debate on the entire Palestine question.

Arab officials here have been crying on an undercover campaign to delay any full discussion until after the American elections, hoping thereafter to get more American support.

The American delegation was reported to be urging the British to tone down their anti-Israeli resolution when news of the serious Negev fighting was received here. However, the British reportedly showed no disposition to comply with the American suggestion.

The Palestine issue came up again in the United Nations as delegates despaired tonight of settling any major political issues on any other front. Nearing the end of the first month of their meetings, Assembly delegates found the nippy autumn air of Paris far warmer and more pleasant than the chill pessimistic vapours generated by the East-West cold war in the Palais de Chaillot.

More than ever, the Assembly is split between the mammoth Western majority—about 50 nations—and the vigorous Soviet minority of six nations. Today was a dull day at the Palais, and diplomats took the weekend off, except for members of the three Powers.

Delegates of the United States, Britain, and France planned a series of weekend conferences to whip into shape their replies to questions asked by the small nations of the Security Council yesterday on the nature of the Berlin blockade and the Moscow negotiations which failed to end it.

They will give their answers in the Council on Tuesday and then hope for overwhelming small-nation support in their drive to induce Russia for threatening world peace and have the Security Council finally pass a resolution ordering the blockade lifted.

Delegates saw a good chance of the Berlin debate coming to a head during the week. It seemed likely that the acrimonious debates over international control of atomic energy, lack of it, and Russia's much-ridiculed disarmament proposal, would also end in the coming week.

Two Proposals

The Political Committee will have before it early in the week two proposals dealing with those issues. One will be a "compromise" resolution, endorsing the American plan for world atomic control and calling on the Big Five Powers and Canada to determine when there might be some reason for resuming negotiations in the Atomic Energy Commission.

The other will be a composite resolution designed to kill off Russia's proposal for an early third cut in the armaments of the Big Five Powers. Instead

of proposing disarmament, it will underscore the belief of the West that none of them can afford to reduce armaments until Russia alters its foreign policy.

In both these issues—the major ones to be debated so far in the Assembly—the pattern has been set for the remaining six weeks or two months of the session.

Instead of seeking compromise, the West will loudly proclaim its complaints against the Soviet Union; ask for world support of those complaints and persuade the Assembly to pass resolutions putting those differences on the record of history.

In the Social Committee, Mexico and Cuba pleaded with the Big Powers to keep their quarrels out of all but the Political Committee and allow some progress to be made. Cuba, referring to the British charges of slave labour camps in Russia, urged "let us not be witness to this duel for political power among the great nations—this is not the Political Committee."

Mexico supported this position. The discussion arose during debate on the third article of the UN Human Rights Bill, which proposed that "everyone has the right to life, liberty and security of the person."—United Press.

GENERAL TO REORGANISE GERMAN POLICE

Berlin, October 16.

The French-licensed Kurier, reported tonight that General Walter von Seydlitz, founder of the Soviet-sponsored free Germany committee, had arrived in Berlin from the Soviet Union.

The newspaper said that General von Seydlitz was assigned the job of reorganising the Soviet zone's Ministry of Police. Reports from Eastern Germany said that the police there are being greatly expanded, housed in barracks and trained in the use of Russian arms. A Soviet zone German official said that this week the police are preparing to launch a "civil war" that might be launched from Western Germany.

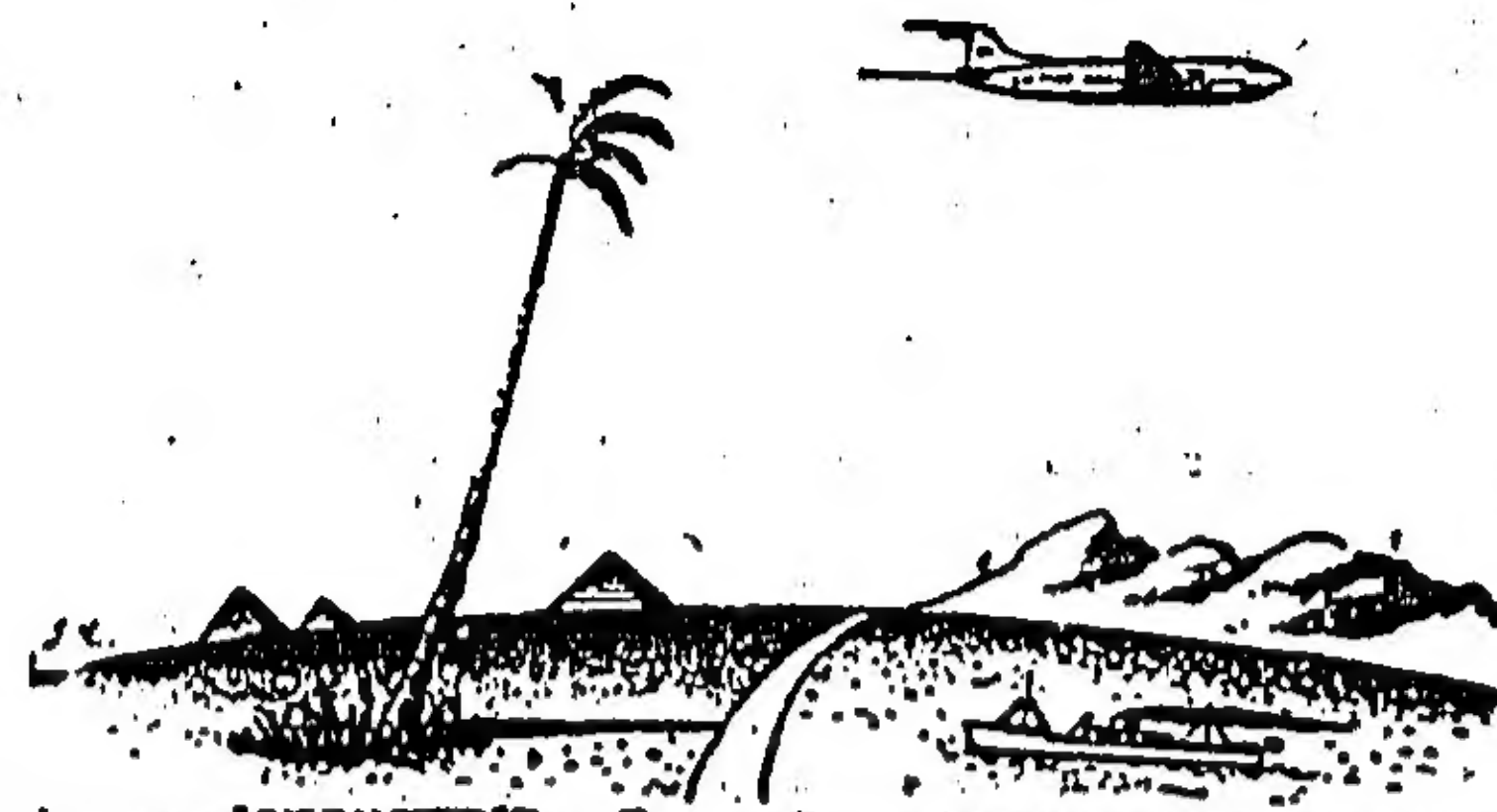
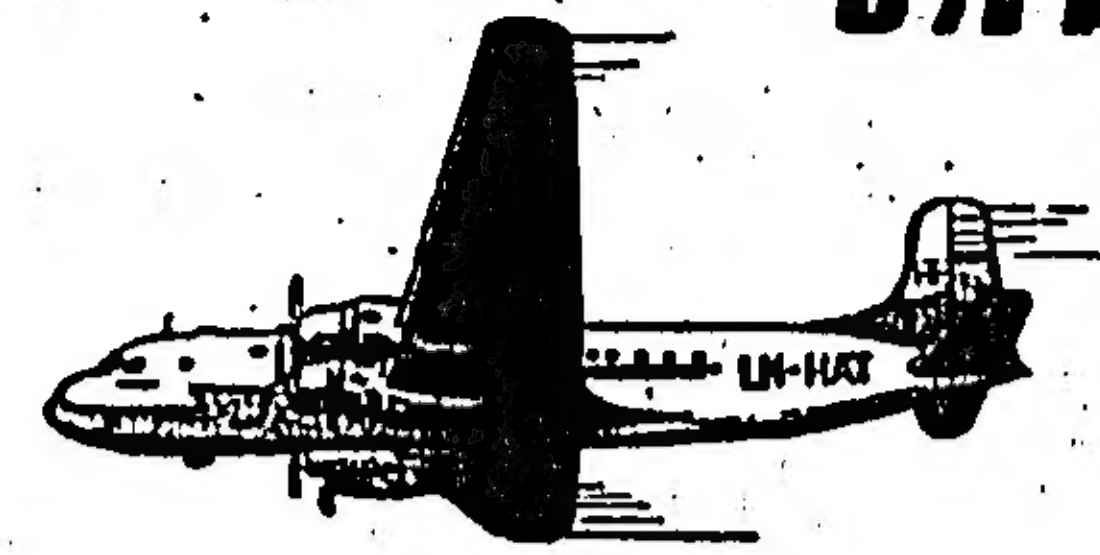
The Kurier reported that General von Seydlitz arrived last night with three other former high ranking German officers captured by the Russians during the war.

The Free Germany movement was founded in Russia in July, 1943, by captured high ranking German officers, anti-Nazi and Communists who fled from Germany. Field Marshal Friedrich von Paulus, who was captured at Stalingrad also joined the movement.

Unconfirmed reports said that General von Seydlitz and Marshal von Paulus, have been training a "free German army" in Russia.

In addition to reorganising the police in Eastern Germany, Russia is also training police for duty in Western Berlin. It was reported by the Neue Zeitung that special German police units have been formed in the Soviet zone to replace the police on duty in Western-occupied Berlin as Russia's proposal for an early third cut in the armaments of the Big Five Powers. Instead

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Tsiang Suggests Soviet Disarmament Plan Aimed Against Unity In China

Paris, October 17.

China's T. F. Tsiang declared on Saturday he could not support the Soviet Union's plan for disarmament because "I am not sure that the real nature of this resolution is (not) directed against China and its unity."

"My delegation is not ready to sign a blank check on a matter of any kind," he told the disarmament's sub-Committee of the United Nations Assembly.

Control provisions of the Russian plan would come under the veto, Mr. Tsiang said, and this would make control uncertain.

The one third reduction of arms proposed for the big five powers, including China, said nothing about the other two thirds.

Mr. Tsiang said China is fighting to suppress a rebellion of Chinese Communists. Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Vishinsky called that an "internal situation," he continued.

Mr. Tsiang asked if President Lincoln could have thus approached a disarmament scheme while the civil war in the United States was fought, or would Lenin have agreed to such a plan in 1921?

"Does it mean you want to aid Chinese Communists and to disrupt unity in China?" asked Mr. Tsiang. Mr. Tsiang said China plans four fifths reduction of its armed forces after the country is unified. The Chinese delegate asserted the first step in disarmament is restoration of political confidence.

"That might take the form of working out the peace treaties," he added, "or of setting up an international force. That would go a long way."

Doctor D. H. Castro of El Salvador brought up the questions of Greece, Korea, China and the situation in Berlin.

In the quiet tone of a professor lecturing impatient students, he said: "It is an unfortunate but historical fact that the Soviet Union has not recognized the two commissions set up by the General Assembly to investigate the situation in Greece and Korea."

Mr. Castro said Russia claimed those were internal problems. The Chinese rebellion would not be led by Communists who are directed by Russia.

Short Of Food --Not Starving

Tokyo, October 16.

Japan's largest news agency, Kyodo, said today Nippon will be short 2,170,000 tons of food in the year starting November 1, 1948.

The agency quoted unnamed sources for its prediction which comes at a time when Japan is waiting to harvest its largest crop since the occupation and after having concluded its first post occupation summer without a food crisis.

Kyodo said its predicted deficit "must be imported from abroad." The United States has supplied most of Japan's food deficits.

In the current "rice year"—the "Rice Year" extends from November to November, starting at the time of the rice harvest—the United States has shipped to Japan 1,400,000 tons of foodstuffs and 400,000 tons of sugar. These imports have been added to homegrown food to make up rations for the Japanese, who are always complaining about the food.

Despite their complaints, however, there has not been one single death due to starvation this past year and there is a decreased in diseases due to malnutrition.

Associated Press.

Father And Daughter



Robert Donat, who stars in "The Winslow Boy," is seen with his daughter Joanna, when he attended the London premiere of the film at the Plaza, in Piccadilly, recently. Miss Donat wears a becoming Chinese jacket with wide sleeves. (AP Photo).

Arrested For Trading In US\$

Shanghai, October 17.

George A. Efron, White Russian proprietor of a jewellery shop in Shanghai's famed Palace Hotel, was arrested today together with his wife on charges of selling goods in United States currency.

The arrest was reportedly made when a plainclothes policeman saw an officer—"believed to be of the United States Army"—hand a US\$5 bill to Efron's wife to buy a cigarette lighter.

The police searched the shop and said they found correspondence on United States currency transactions with American ex-officers who are back in the United States.—United Press.

Very Fast Drinkers

Cambridge, October 16.

A silver challenge bowl, filled with one gallon of beer, was emptied here tonight in the record time of five minutes 10 seconds by Flying Officer W. Ison and Mr. S. Ward, of the Reserve Flying School.

The previous record was held by the Cambridge University Flying Squadron with five minutes 40 seconds. It is a tradition that the team winning the bowl, which is presented for flying contests at Cambridge Airport, should designate two members to drink it dry in as short a time as possible.—Reuter.

BALANCE OF POWER EVOLVING FROM TALKS

London, October 16.

A new balance of power, which will contribute vastly to worldwide security, is evolving from the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' conference here, declared the Prime Minister of New Zealand, Mr. Peter Fraser, in an exclusive statement today.

"It can be quite definitely said that the British Commonwealth will emerge from the conference greatly strengthened and that is a marvellous thing for everyone," the veteran, 64-year-old statesman told United Press.

"By everyone I mean to include the United States particularly, for this new cohesion of the Commonwealth nations will be a balancing force for security and peace."

The expectations had been that the conference would mark an increased tendency towards disintegration of the Commonwealth structure, he said.

New States like India, Pakistan and Ceylon had found independence but the surprising thing was that these and other powers in the conference had shown a desire to knit the bonds of Commonwealth still more closely together, realising that unity is "to be sought for in these troubled times."

Mr. Fraser, who gave his interview at the Cabinet offices overlooking St. James's Park and close to No. 10, Downing Street where the conference had been sitting, went on to talk of security in the Far East.

Japanese Peace

It is vital to conclude a peace treaty with Japan as soon as possible, he said.

"We are anxious to see peace re-established with Japan for various reasons," the Scottish-born New Zealand leader declared.

"We believe the time has come to have the whole thing settled. We are in favour of encouraging Japan's industrial survival in the interests of the East economy but we are anxious for guarantee about control of Japan's war potential."

"Let me say here and now that we all appreciate the magnificent work done by General Douglas MacArthur. But nevertheless, we should like to see the future of Japan regulated by all the interested Powers around the conference table."

Mr. Fraser referred to the right of the small Powers who contributed to Japan's defeat to be present at the peace treaty talks.

The Soviets had claimed that only the Big Powers should talk peace with Japan. "That is something the nations which fought for the overthrow of Japanese tyranny could not accept," Mr. Fraser said.

They all fought and they all have a right to speak since their interests are at stake as much as those of the Big Powers," he concluded.—United Press.

CORDELL HULL CHASTISES DEWEY

Washington, October 16.

Mr. Cordell Hull, an American older statesman and Secretary of State under the late President Roosevelt, in a statement published today rebuked Governor Thomas Dewey, the Republican presidential candidate for claiming credit for achievement which were the "fruit of patriotic effort" by Democrats as well as Republicans.

Mr. Hull, in hospital undergoing treatment for a prolonged illness, also accused the Republican and Democratic leaders of claiming credit for having originated America's "bipartisan" foreign policy.—Reuter.

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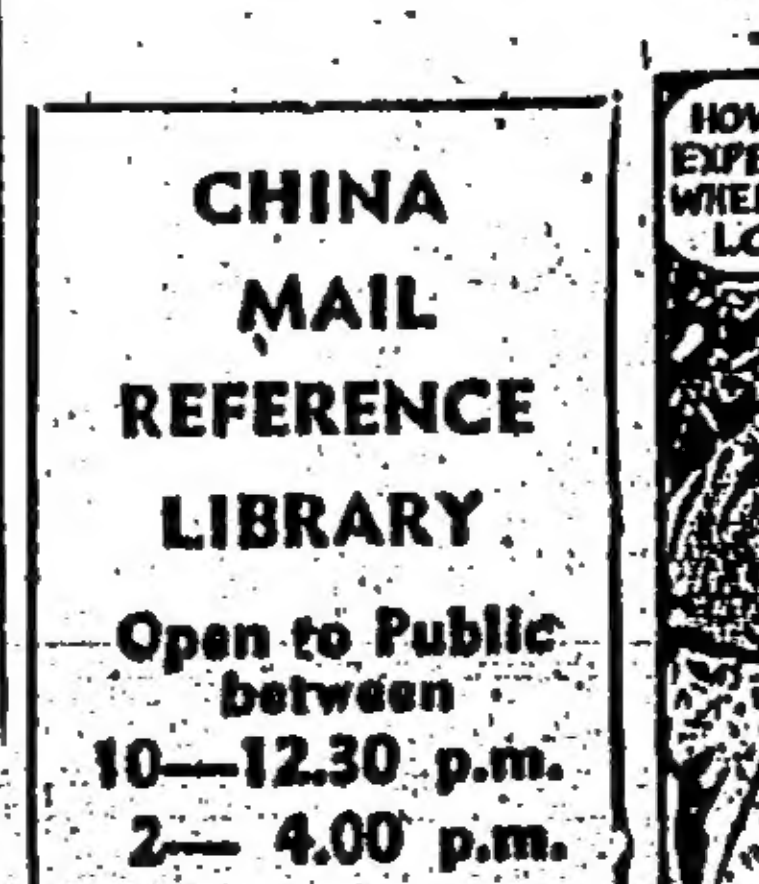
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Horner Still Urges Aid For French Miners

London, October 16.

Wives Wanted Aboard Ships

Cardiff, October 16.
A resolution demanding that officers of the Merchant Navy be allowed to take their wives with them to sea was moved at the Annual Conference of Navigators and Engineers Union here today.

"The impossibility of leading a proper married life, the resolution says, 'is the primary cause of officers leaving the sea. The presence of women on board would have a beneficial effect as excesses away from home are largely due to the absence of women's restraining influence.'—Reuter.

Elections Boycotted

Istanbul, October 16.
Turkish parliamentary elections will be boycotted by the opposition parties tomorrow when more than one million people are due to go to the poll.

The Democratic Party and the National Party, abstaining from contesting 13 vacant seats in the Grand National Assembly, are urging the people not to vote. The reason given is that these parties regard the present system of checking votes as open to fraud.

The Government People's Party is, however, opposed at the ballot by independents in all 13 constituencies including Ankara and Istanbul. As many as 25 independents have been nominated against the Government candidate here. For the first time in Turkey, polling will be in closed booths and the Government has reaffirmed the assurances given about the secrecy of the ballot and the public counting of the votes.—Reuter.

BRITON GAOLED IN SHANGHAI

Shanghai, October 16.
A British engineer was sentenced to four months in a Chinese jail because he paid for a new apartment in American dollars.

John Turner of the American-owned Shanghai Power Company, was accused of paying US\$4,556 as "key money" bonus to get an apartment. He was arrested on May 10.

Turner told the Court that he paid for the apartment with a check on New York which involved no transfer of foreign funds in China, thus not breaking the new Chinese economic restrictions.—Associated Press.

Mr. Will Lawther and Mr. Arthur Horner, the quarrelling leaders of Britain's 650,000-strong Mineworkers Union, will meet face to face on Monday for the first time since their cross-Channel dispute on Mr. Horner's support of the French miners' strike.

Mr. Horner, the Communist Secretary General of the Union, returned by air to London today from Paris—prepared to argue his right to act as he did at the Conference of the Communist-led French Confederation of Labour.

Mr. Lawther—President of the Union and chairman of the Trades Union Congress—objected earlier this week that Mr. Horner's attitude does not represent the views of the Union and declared that the French miners would get no help from British miners in their strike.

As he stepped from the plane today, Mr. Horner told reporters: "The French miners are no fools and they are entitled to expect support from their mining colleagues in other lands."

He declared: "This thing did not start when I went to Paris. It was launched before that. The crux of the matter is that they have prepared for war and they think it will be very inconvenient to imprison me if, at that time, I am in the position of General Secretary."

"Evidently the decision has been made to endeavour to remove me before that contingency arises."

By "they" Mr. Horner said he meant "the Government and 'rightwing leaders'."

Part Of Campaign

"This is all part of the campaign, not only against me but all Communists in key positions in any union," he added. "They should know that none of us will engage in a struggle against the Socialist sixth of the earth."

Explaining his reasons for supporting the miners, Mr. Horner said: "I have examined the conditions under which the French miners took their decision to strike, and I am satisfied, after the most careful study, that their action was completely justified."

"The cost of living has gone up in France by at least 40 per cent in the past year but the miners have received hardly any increase in their incomes to meet this cost."

"Their fight to control dismissals and to ensure that workers rendered redundant are reasonably treated and that mine workers, risking as they do injury to a greater extent than any other workers, should have additional supplementary things, is very dear to my heart."

Marquess Wed In Chiswick

London, October 16.
George Charles Henry Victor, Marquess of Anglesey, was married at Chiswick Parish Church today to Miss Elizabeth Shirley Vaughan Morgan, the only daughter of the late Lord Charles Morgan, and Mrs. Morgan.

Queen Mary who attended the service was cheered by about 400 well-wishers and onlookers who had gathered about the church.

The groom, who is 25 years of age, was a former private secretary to Lord Inverchapel in Washington. He succeeded to the title last year on the death of his father who was for many years Lord Chamberlain to Queen Mary.—Reuter.

"TRIAL OF FREE THINKING"

Paris, October 16.
The trial of 12 American Communist leaders due to open in New York on November 1, is in reality the "trial of free thinking," the French Communist organ, *Humanite*, declared today.

If the accused are convicted, the paper said, it will mean that "henceforth there is a state doctrine of American imperialism which it would be illegal to criticize."

"What the New York judges want to impose on the world," *Humanite* continued, "is an American truth corresponding to American expansionist aims and which would be defined in each country by a local gavel."

Humanite accused the American Government of resorting to the classical trick whereby plotters accuse the whole world of plotting.

In every place where a strike breaks out, the paper declared, the Americans seek the hand of Moscow.—Reuter.

Mr. Horner said that he would see Mr. Lawther in the usual way—on Monday morning at the Union office in London for the report on his visit to the Executive Committee meeting on October 28.

Answering a question about his verbal exchanges with Mr. Lawther, Mr. Horner said: "I shall put it on the agenda as complaint against a colleague."

Mr. Lawther when told of Mr. Horner's statement, told a reporter:

US Destroyer Evacuates Foreigners From Chefoo

Shanghai, October 16.

The US Navy confirmed reports that an American destroyer had evacuated a group of foreigners from Communist-besieged Chefoo.

There were no Americans in the group of 12 men, women and children rescued earlier this week from the port on Shantung peninsula's North coast.

"It is not the Navy's policy to evacuate nationals of other countries from these places," said Vice-Admiral John L. McCrea. "But we are always glad to help other fellows out if we can."

Admiral McCrea, Deputy Pacific Fleet Commander, is making a tour of the Navy's Pacific bases. He has already been to Japan, Saipan, Okinawa and other Navy bases out here before returning to Pearl Harbour.

The Chefoo evacuation was second within a year in which an American warship has gone to the aid of nationals of other countries stranded in a Red-besieged port.

Nearly a year ago, an American destroyer evacuated a group of English and White Russians from Yinkow, South Manchuria port, shortly before the Communists captured it. There were no Americans in that group either.

Both evacuations were made at the request of foreign consulates. The Navy said. Though the Navy did not identify the consulates, it was reported to be British.

The United States, with its Navy base in Tsingtao, is in an advantageous spot to help evacuate others from ports in war-ravaged North China and Manchuria. Other countries, including the British, seldom have warships in those areas while the United States has them in Tsingtao and Shanghai.

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FINANCE AND COMMERCE

FRENCH FRANC REVALUATION BECOMES EFFECTIVE TODAY

London, October 16.

The Treasury announced today a revaluation of the French franc, which will raise the value of the pound sterling from the present 864 francs to 1,061.3 francs—an increase of over 22 per cent.

An official statement said that after the devaluation of the franc early this year, objections were raised to the system then introduced by which US dollars, Portuguese escudos and Swiss francs were bought and sold at fluctuating rates in a free market while there was no free market in sterling.

The Treasury statement continued: "After consultations with the International Monetary Fund, a modification has now been agreed, which has the effect of broadly bringing the US dollar exchange rate in Paris into line with the United Kingdom official dollar rate for trade transactions."

The Treasury said that the new arrangements, which come into force on Monday, October 19, will be as follows: "The existing United States dollar official rate in Paris dollars for tourists, capital transactions and financial remittances will continue."

Mean Trade Rate

"All importers will meet 60 per cent of their needs in dollars at the official rate and 40 per cent of dollar proceeds to the authorities at the official rate and release the balance in the free market."

"There is thus an effective means for trade transactions which will be fixed each day. The new official sterling rate will be based on this mean rate and on the official sterling-dollar rate of 4.03 equals one pound."

"For trade transactions there will be an effective cross rate in Paris equivalent to the official dollar rate for sterling in London."

"This is a welcome move towards a more uniform system of the rule in France. The new official sterling-franc rate in London are 1,061.3 francs to the pound and the Bank of England will continue to quote forward rates in the same manner as at present."

No Dollar Change

Reuters Financial Editor wrote tonight that the effect of the French change is to remove the discriminatory exchange rates which have been quoted in Paris since January against sterling, the Belgian franc and all other currencies except the dollar, Swiss franc and Portuguese escudo.

There is virtually no change in the relation between the franc and the dollar and no devaluation of the franc against the dollar. What is happening is that the effective rate for trade in sterling is being brought in line

Comfortable Conditions

London, October 16. Money market houses have expected very comfortable conditions during the past week. Credits were in ample supply and enabled banks to be balanced with ease.

Although there were some large amounts of Treasury deposits receipts to the met, there were spread fairly evenly over the week. Banks were good buyers of short dated bills.

The ease in credits was reflected in the Bank of England return. Active note circulation was reduced by nearly £2,000,000 and the reserve in the Banking department new totals some £64,000,000 (enough to meet the Christmas expansion) and were augmented by an increase of £9,500,000 in Government securities.

Applications for £180,000,000 Treasury bills totalled £209,420,000 of which £180,000,000 was allotted at an average rate of 10 shillings 2.09 pence per cent.

It also told how each member intended to spend the badly needed dollars—for food and farm products, raw materials,

with the rate which is already effective for trade in dollars. The timing of the change just when the documents are being signed for inter-European mutual aid is more than a coincidence. When Britain, Belgium and other countries are agreeing to give France large grants which they can ill afford, the least that France could do was to cease a multiple currency practice which tended to undermine the currencies of the donors.

Official Table

An official table attached to the communiqué issued today gives the sterling rate for October following the new exchange rules as follows: Commercial transactions—buyers 1,061, sellers 1,063. Banknotes—buyers 1,055, sellers 1,070. —Reuter.

FIRST YEAR PLAN FOR ERP SIGNED, SEALED

Paris, October 16.

Sixteen nations and the three Allied occupation zones today signed, sealed and formally delivered to the United States their plan for spending nearly \$5,000,000,000 donated by America for the first year of the European Recovery Programme.

Mr. Paul Henri Spaak, President of the organisation, European Economic Co-operation, presented the pact of the American aid to Ambassador Averil Harriman, in a colourful ceremony in the sumptuous chateau de la Muette.

Mr. George Marshall, father of the plan named after him, was not present. He flew to Greece today. Mr. Spaak in a brief speech recalled the OEEC was born just six months ago. He said: "This is a brilliant anniversary. In other places of France, talks are livelier than here, but I don't think any of the work is more important and responsible than that which we have done here."

A Great Step

Mr. Harriman, replying, said that the agreement was the answer to "those who said that the task was impossible and foolhardy." He said that the pact represented tens of thousands of hours work, and was a great step.

Mr. Harriman added that he expected a speedy approval from the Economic Co-operation Administration. Mr. Paul Hoffman, who now must pass on the report to the representatives of the 16 nations and the three zones—British and American Bizonia in Germany, the French zone in Germany and the free territory of Trieste—filled by the table where Mr. Spaak sat to sign the pact for helping each other with intra-European commerce. The ceremony was held in the oak-panelled "wood room" in the chateau on the edge of the Bois de Boulogne, the former home of the fabulously wealthy Baron Henri Rothschild.

70-Page Report

What Mr. Spaak presented to Mr. Harriman was a 70-page report agreed on by the OEEC members after weeks of work, sweat and bickering during the summer and early fall. It listed how much each was to get from the \$485,000,000 appropriated by Congress for ERP for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1949. It also told how each member intended to spend the badly needed dollars—for food and farm products, raw materials,

No Cracks At Gold Yuan

Shanghai, October 17. Central News reported today that the government ordered Shanghai million picture studios to "cut out" any satirical remarks on the Gold Yuan in future productions. It said that disparaging remarks will be taken as an act of purposely damaging the name of the new national currency.—United Press.

Better Deal For Farm Workers

Maldisone, England, October 17.

Britain's farm workers are asking for a better deal, a Union leader announced on Saturday. General Secretary A.C. Bean of the National Union of Agricultural Workers said a claim has been sent to the Central Wage Board for a 44-hour week, two weeks yearly holiday, more overtime pay and a "substantial increase" in the minimum wage of £4 10s a week. "We do not have strikes and lockouts in our industry. We produce the goods and do our bit and in return we expect conditions at least consistent with those of skilled workers in other industries," he said.—Associated Press.

New Money Policy For America?

New York, October 16.

After 15 years of New Dealism, the United States will soon embark on a sound money policy, which will have repercussions throughout the world, according to leading financial and political experts. They are of the opinion that a change will begin in November, after Governor Dewey's prospective victory.

Thereupon, it is believed, Mr. Elliott Bell would become Secretary of the Treasury. Mr. Bell has supervised the Republican Party's economic policy speeches since 1930 and previously was a financial journalist.

Since 1943, he has been Superintendent of Banks in New York State. Mr. Bell is likely to review the country's economic structure and make necessary changes, one step at a time, with emphasis on voluntary action to check inflation.

Mr. Bell regards the lowering of tariff barriers and the continuance of foreign aid programmes as vital to the United States. He strongly advocates sound money and likely to insist on a balanced budget, with a plan to gradually reduce the national debt.

To discourage inflation, further, he is likely to recommend if and when necessary the flotation of more attractive long-term government bonds, possibly accompanied by factual abandonment of the Democratic cheap money policy, thus allowing interest rates to rise somewhat.

He is unlikely to favour any tax reductions which would tend to unbalance the budget. These indications are based on Mr. Bell's known attitude. It would be improper at this juncture to ask him to declare his economic views.—Reuter.

SIAM FOOD PRICE DOWN

Bangkok, October 16.

Food prices in Bangkok have dropped 30 per cent and other necessities including clothing, are down 18 per cent from the levels a year ago, the Siam Ministry of Commerce reported. The Ministry said the fall was due to elimination of "illicit transport fees," enforcement of an anti-profiteering act, increased imports and better co-operation by merchants in lowering prices.—Associated Press.

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HONG KONG, MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 1948.

ABDULLA
NUMBER SEVEN
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SOUTH CHINA 'A' WIN OVER BUSMEN, 4-1

Before one of the largest crowds in the history of local soccer, South China "A" beat Kowloon Motor Bus by four goals to one in a First Division game played at Caroline Hill yesterday.

Home Soccer Standings

First Division									
Team	P	W	D	L	Pts	Goals For	Goals Against	Goal Difference	Position
South China "A"	10	7	0	3	14	21	11	+10	1st
Kowloon Motor Bus	10	5	2	3	12	19	16	+3	2nd
North China	10	5	2	3	12	18	16	+2	3rd
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South China "A", fielding no less than nine of the players who represented China at the World Olympiad in London, played the more constructive football, but the game, as a whole, failed to reach the heights of brilliance expected.

Although the stands were full to overflowing long before the time appointed for the game to start, the sale of tickets continued, with the result that many late-comers had no alternative but to sit or squat on the cinder track.

When the sale of tickets commenced, an orgy of gate-crashing commenced and the more handful of policemen who had been detailed for duty at the field were unable to hold back the surging crowd, which showed no respect for the law as they forced open the gates and climbed over walls to get into the grounds.

At half time, a portion of the crowd started to take up positions at the edge of the playing field itself, but were prevented from doing so by the timely intervention of a solitary Chinese police officer, who had no hesitation in drawing his truncheon to shoo that he meant business.

Mr. C. Tunstall was in charge of the game, and his firm handling prevented any of the players resorting to those doubtful tactics which have become a common feature of local soccer this season.

In the only other First Division game played yesterday, RAF beat South China 3-1.

RESULTS AT A GLANCE

FIRST DIVISION			
S. China "A"	4	K. M. B.	1
R.A.F.	1	Kwong Wah	0
SECOND DIVISION			
South China	3	Talkoo	1

Even Opening
The opening exchanges were very even and the ball went to each end and both goalkeepers were called to save. Then the busmen took charge and swept down the field with a combination that looked very dangerous, and it caused no surprise when after seven minutes they went ahead. The ball was cut from the left and the centre-forward was there to meet it and open the scoring.

This gave the visitors heart and they dominated the play for the remainder of the half. Occasionally there were breakaways and twice Tam Kwan-kon saved in masterly fashion from Lai Shui-wing who seemed to be the only dangerous forward.

At the other end KMB forced a corner but it came to nothing as the home defence clearing away. The South China inside left was a constant source of danger and twice before half time he got in good shots that deserved better fates.

After the resumption, South China seemed to go about their work with a purpose and they immediately had the busmen on the defensive for long periods. Two minutes after the resumption, South China were level when Ho Yin-fun cut in and kicked a great goal that flashed past Tam. Although South China were well on top, there was promise of the game evening up, but it was only temporary and down went the home forwards again.

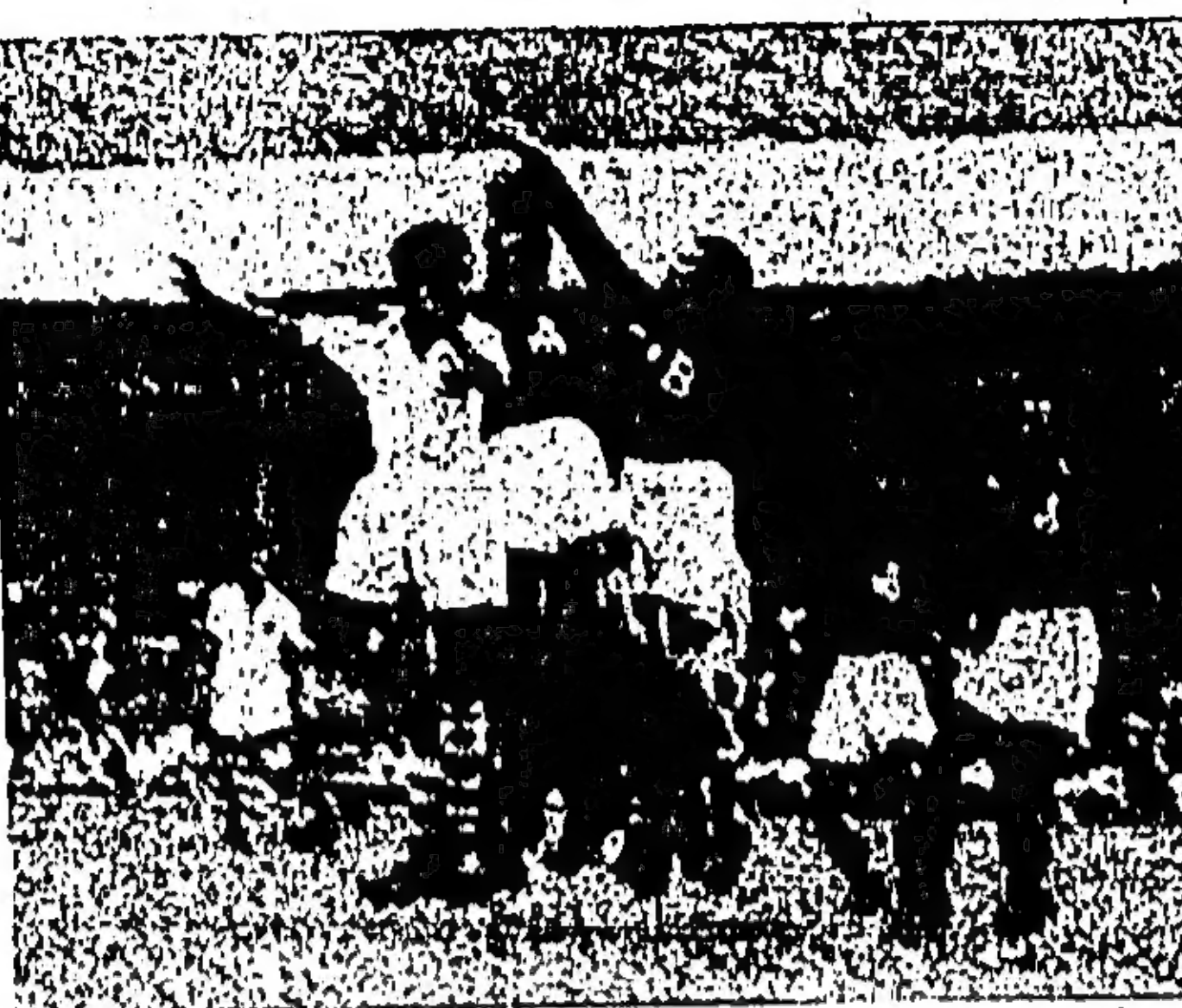
Lai Shui-wing accepted an accurate pass and very quickly slipped between the backs to give South China the lead. The red hot set in now and three minutes later South China were awarded a penalty for pushing by a bus defender. Lai Shui-wing made no mistake with the spot kick and put his side two goals up.

KMB Deteriorate

The busmen's front line had deteriorated now and they were apt to shoot as soon as they got the ball. They were ragged and many passes went astray when more accuracy would have spelled danger to the home defence. Their raids were sporadic and came to naught when they met up against an iron defence.

Ho Yin-fun was put well away and set off down the wing cutting the bus defence which was

Exciting Moment



An exciting moment in front of the Kowloon Motor Bus goal-mouth during yesterday's First Division Soccer match between South China "A" and KMB. South China won by four goals to one.

Western Europe To Eat A Little More

Paris, October 16.

Western Europeans will eat a little more this year than last year but their consumption will remain substantially below prewar for several years, according to a 70-page report by the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation handed to Mr. Averell Harriman, the Marshall Aid "roving Ambassador-at-large", today.

This report on the first year's programme (July 1948 to June 1949) of Marshall aid and of European self-aid, tells of the European efforts for reconstruction and some of the things which the 18 nations have planned for the next nine months. They included:

(1)—A reduction of European dependence on dollar imports—the first step towards independence.

(2)—An increase in European production of basic commodities such as coal, coke, electricity, steel, timber, pulp, paper and merchant shipping.

(3)—Continued self-imposed austerity by the restriction of services materials to uses best serving reconstruction.

(4)—Breaking down of inter-European trade barriers by the adoption of a payments system.

The report emphasizes that without American aid it would not be possible for the 18 countries receiving Marshall aid to undertake this great joint enterprise.

At the same time, it reminds that the first year's aid does not cover all minimum dollar requirements and adds that despite the \$4,875 million voted by the American Congress, there will still be a deficit of \$220 million to be met from foreign assets the 18 countries still possess.

Of the \$4,875 million aid, Britain gets \$1,283 million; Austria \$217 million; Belgium and Luxembourg \$250 million; Denmark \$110 million; France \$980 million; Greece \$140 million; Ireland \$79 million; Iceland \$11 million; Italy \$501 million; The Netherlands \$490 million (including \$84 million for The Netherlands East Indies); Norway \$84 million; Sweden \$47 million; Trieste \$18 million; Turkey \$50 million; Bizzone \$414 million; French Zone \$100 million.

Under the payments scheme, the following countries (who are not creditors) make contributions: Britain \$282 million; Belgium \$207,500,000; Italy \$203.3 million; Sweden \$25 million; Turkey \$107.7 million; Bizzone \$102 million—total \$564,700,000.

Net debtor countries entitled to draw from the above contributions are: Austria \$55.5 million; Denmark \$35 million; France \$333.3 million; Greece \$508.8 million; Netherlands \$17.7 million; Norway \$31.8 million; French Zone \$800,000.

Greece has all along stood out for a minimum figure of \$180 million instead of the \$146 million allocated to her. Consequently, Greece told the OEEC that she was unable to draw up any recovery programme based on less than that figure.

The European Recovery Programme is gradually favourably influencing Dutch economy. Well informed quarters said today that they expected the balance of 1948 and that within one and a half years, security in The Netherlands would be ended.

This is the more remarkable in view of the serious handicaps that the nation had to overcome specially in heavy reconstruction outlays, the Indonesian problems and sharp fall in trade with Germany.

KHALSA UPSET MADCAPS, CANUCKS DUMP RECREIO

(By "GRANDSTAND")

Khalsa, starting off as the under-dogs, provided an upset in the Senior League with a sensational 6-3 victory over the Madcaps, while Canadians shared 14 hits with Recreio for a 10-7 victory over the King's Park outfit.

The Saints rocked American hurler Bob Porter for 14 blows including Jindoo Hussain's homer to deep centre for a 17-2 shellacking. VRC's fire-ball hurler Joey Franco limited the weak Baseballers to four scattered bingles as his team-mates trimmed the Molthenmen 15-1.

In the Senior Loop night-cap, Overseas Chinese snatched a 6-3 verdict over the Police.

While the Wildcats massacred the Canadian fennies 27-6, the Junior league favourites, the Braves did not have everything their own way in the Saturday tilt, as the Vikings only went down to a creditable 9-3 loss, thanks mainly to their pitching discovery Josey Ribeiro, who bore down with every pitch.

First sacker Robbie Hill's brilliant performance on the field was also responsible for the Vikings holding their own against powerful odds.

Portsmouth Continue Good Record

London, October 16.

Portsmouth and Derby retained their unbeaten records in League Football today but Hull, who created an early season record of winning their first nine matches, lost theirs when surprisingly beaten at home.

The day's weather promised upsells although too many did not materialise for the softer pitches, after rain with heavy downpours at many matches caused vastly changed conditions and some teams, who prefer heavy rather than hard grounds came into their own.

Accrington, for example, scored their first win of the season in an unimpressive fashion by crashing five goals through New Brighton's defence.

Scoring tended to be high despite the heavy going and Nottingham County with England's deposed leader, Tommy Lawton, netting four times, just failed to reach double figures against Exeter.

Portsmouth's was a clear cut win but Derby only just got home by a first-half goal. Portsmouth kept at the top of Division One while there is no change in Division Two, with Tottenham and West Bromwich both winning. Swansea keep in front of Division Three. Southampton and Rotherham displaced Hull in the Northern section.—Reuter.

Hockey Results

Club de Recreio 2, Dutch Hockey Club 0.
University 14, Cable & Wireless 1.
Civil Service 4, Police 0.
The match between RAF and Dockyard, which was played on Friday, resulted in a draw, each side scoring three times. It is understood, however, that this game will be replayed.

The Army versus Navy hockey match which is down for decision on Thursday, October 21, will now be played on Friday, October 22, at Sookumpoo, at 5.15 p.m. owing to the Trafalgar Day celebrations.

BOROTRA WINS BRITISH TITLE
London, October 16.
Fifty-year old Jean Borotra, the bounding Basque of prewar days, retained the British covered court tennis title at Queen's Club today, when he beat Geoffrey Fehle, the British Davis Cup player, in the final by 6/3, 6/3 and 6/2.

Fehle had his chances but failed to take advantage and Borotra, with volleying his most deadly weapon, was a really comfortable winner. He has held the title since 1938 and this was his tenth success, proving that he has no superior on wooden courts.

Gene Hobbing won the women's title by 1/6, 6/3 and 7/5 against Joan Curry.—Reuter.

OMAR'S RINK WINS FINAL
At the Kowloon Cricket Club Green yesterday, the Lawn Bowls Open Rink, final, was won by U. M. Omar's rink, which beat a rink skippered by L. Sykes 21-15.

U. M. Omar's rink consisted of: U. M. Omar (skip), A. A. A. (2nd), C. E. Thompson (3rd), L. Sykes (4th).

Monaghan Ill With Bronchitis

London, October 16.
Rinty Monaghan, world fly-weight champion, is ill today with bronchitis and will be unable to meet Dickie O'Sullivan on Monday night.

The British Board of Boxing Control informed promoter Jack Solomon, who said he had not been personally informed by either Monaghan or his manager, that it instructed its medical representative in Belfast to examine Monaghan and report.

Negotiations are currently proceeding for Monaghan to defend the world title against Dickie O'Sullivan, who is challenging with Monaghan holding out for a guaranteed purse instead of 40 per cent of the gate offered to him by American promoter Andy Nield.

Solomon announced that Maurice Nandeyron, ex-France, European flyweight champion, has agreed to substitute for Monaghan.

Solomon said the British Boxing Board of Control's medical officer in Belfast confirmed that Monaghan was unfit to fight.—United Press.

Solar Slipper Scores Surprise Win

Newmarket, October 14.
Mr. Joseph McGrath's three-year-old colt, Solar Slipper, scored a surprising win in the Champion Stakes run over one and a quarter miles here today, beating by three lengths the French challenger, French champion, the winner of the Royal Stakes last year, who was expected to score again but, running the last race of his career, failed badly.

Solar Slipper, a six to one chance, led from start to finish, starting at 11.40 a.m. to two furlongs to get in an effectively challenging run. The Irish-bred son of Windsor Slipper, running on strongly, scored easily.

Royal Drake, starting six to one, just beat Migoli for third place after the judge had consulted the photo-finish camera.—Reuter.

HIGH SCORING IN FRIENDLY GAME
High scoring cricket match played on Saturday, between the Hong Kong Cricket Club and Mr. A. Graham's XI and Mr. L. Kilbey's XI.

Taking first innings of the wicket, Mr. Graham's XI scored 238 runs for six wickets before declaring. In a bright knock, B. W. Franklin scored 60 runs before retiring. Others to do well with the bat were M. Little (37) retired, G. A. Stewart (30) and O. J. Kerr (20).

Mr. Kilbey's XI scored 194 runs for seven in reply, with N. Oliver taking "batting" honours with 53 runs to his credit before retiring. A. S. Egan scored 37.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT STARTS TODAY
The Open Tennis Tournaments for the Colony Championships, organized by the Ladies' Recreation Club, will start today, when three games in the Open Singles competition will be played off.

The following are the games down for decision:
OPEN SINGLES
Mrs. Collins v. Mrs. Brockwell, 9.30 a.m.; Miss Dawn Kwa v. Mrs. V. Stanger, 9.30 a.m.; Miss Law v. Mrs. Yee v. Mrs. Gels, 5.15 p.m.

KCC AMERICAN MIXED TENNIS
Winners of the monthly KCC American Mixed Doubles Tennis Tournament at Cox's Path yesterday were: Mr. C. J. Smith and Mrs. Slokes and Mrs. A. P. P. Gels and Mr. Brockwell.

The pairs shared the honours with 41 points each.
Mr. Ezra Abraham presented the coveted spoons after the tournament.

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